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# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

# TOWN OFFICERS

OF

# WESTMORELAND
# NEW HAMPSHIRE

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2004

AND

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004

# OFFICE HOURS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOWN CLERK | 399-7211 | Monday | 7:30 am - 2:00 pm |
| | | Monday evening | 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm |
| | | Wednesday | 7:30 am - 11:00 am |
| | | Wednesday evening | 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm |
| | | CLOSED HOLIDAYS | |
| TAX COLLECTOR | 399-7211 | Same hours as Town Clerk | |
| SELECTMEN'S OFFICE | 399-4471 | Tues., Thurs., Fri. | 8:00 am - 4:00 pm |
| | | Wednesday | Noon - 7:00 pm |
| SELECTMEN'S MEETING | | 1st & 3rd Thursdays each month – 7:00 pm | |
| PLANNING BOARD | | 2nd Tuesday each month – 7:30 pm | |
| ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT | | 2nd Tuesday each month – 7:30 pm | |
| CONSERVATION COMMISSION | | 1st Tuesday each month – 7:00 pm | |
| OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE | | 399-4310 | |
| CONSTABLE | | 357-9820 | |
| SHERIFF'S OFFICE | | 355-2000 | |
| TO RESERVE TOWN HALL | | 399-4471 | |

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# SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The primary issue during all of 2004 was that of the finances associated with the flooding that occurred in Westmoreland in August of 2003. During that time, much damage was done to our town roads and to the Mill Brook Bridge in East Westmoreland. All road repairs are now completed and we expect that the work on the reconstruction of Mill Brook Bridge will begin very soon.

A financial report of all income and costs associated with the road repairs is included elsewhere in this Annual Report. We do want to mention that Westmoreland did receive funding from two sources: the 75% federal FEMA aid and the 12.5% state aid from the State of New Hampshire. Despite newspaper articles to the contrary, the State did send us a check for $80,972.88. We feel that this was solely due to the untiring efforts of Senator Bob Odell (District 8) and Senator Tom Eaton (District 10). Except for their work, Westmoreland probably would not have received any state aid.

Other issues during the year included the following:

1. The Warner Curtain has been restored. It will be stored and displayed at the Westmoreland School gymnasium.
2. Elaine Clement Hall is no longer working in the selectmen's office. We thank her for her service to the town. Her replacement is Jane Flood. We welcome her to our office.
3. JoAnn LaBarre has developed a very attractive web site for the Town. Money to fund this site has been included in the budget for this year. We hope to have the site up and running in the very near future.
4. As we voted in Article 4 at last year's Town Meeting, the Town did borrow $40,000 for two years to partially fund the purchase of the new highway truck. $20,000 plus interest will be repaid in late 2005 and the remainder will be paid in late 2006. The annual percentage rate on this loan is 2.39%.

As always, we sincerely thank all people who work in any capacity for the Town of Westmoreland. Whether they be town employees, those who serve on the various town committees or those who volunteer their time in some way – we appreciate the efforts of all.

Russ Austin, Dave Putnam, and Elaine Moore

# TOWN OFFICERS

## SELECTMEN
G.Russell Austin, Chair, David Putnam Elaine M. Moore

## MODERATOR
Carlson Barrett

## TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR
Cindi H. Adler

## TREASURER
JoAnn LaBarre

## SECRETARY
Jane Flood

## CUSTODIAN
Gweneth H. Frost

## AUDITORS
Susan Reed Robert Moore, Jr.

## SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST
Barbara Messer Dorothy Thompson Pat Bentrup

## CONSTABLE
James A. Cemorelis

## ROAD AGENT
Gary Hudson

## FIRE CHIEF
Harry Nelson

## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
Patrick Baker Russell Kotfila George Nitschelm

## LIBRARIAN
Mary Crowther

## TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY
Susan West, Chm. Terry Cox Peter Longsjo Cindy Cote
Jayne Burnett – Bruce Clement

## WELFARE OFFICER
Elaine M. Moore

## CEMETERY TRUSTEES
JoAnn LaBarre Carlson Barrett Donald Hall

## BUDGET COMMITTEE

Wesley Staples-Chair, Robert Moore, Kelly Goodrich,
Michael Acerno, Jr.

## PLANNING BOARD

Lauren Bressett, Co-Chm. Linn Starkey, Jr. Co-Chm.
Laurie Burt James Ashworth Jeff Ingram
Elaine Moore Alan Johnson Walter Derjue-Alt.

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Peter Remy, Chm. Brenda Shelley Barry Shonbeck John Burt
Brian Merry April Ferguson, Alt.
Russell Huntley, Alt. Helen Draper, Clk.

## ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Bruce Smith

## BUILDING INSPECTOR

Linn Starkey, Jr.

## HEALTH OFFICER

Lloyd Draper

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Edward Messer

## SUBCOMMITTEE WANTASTIQUET REGION RIVER

Gwen Mitchell Stuart Adams James Blake

## CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Marshall Patmos, Chm. Jeff Smith James Blake Walter Derjue
George Duke John Lukin

## RECREATION COMMISSION

Susan Harris David Bressett Marc Ferenc Thomas Ainsworth
David Shelley

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Earl Spaulding, Pres. William Hunter, V.P.
Sally Hatt, Secy. Bill Howland

## BRIGGS FUND COMMITTEE

Susan M. Castor Tina Fletcher

# FINANCIAL REPORT

Board of Selectmen
For the Year Ending December 31, 2004
Balance Sheet

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Assets** | | | |
| Cash in Hand of Treasurer | | | $181,323.79 |
| Cash Investment | | | 1,455,194.42 |
| Cash Conservation Fund | | | 13,601.16 |
| Cash Capital Reserve Funds | | | 115,664.71 |
| Unredeemed Taxes: | Levy of 2003 | | 34,300.70 |
| | Prior Taxes | | 53,651.30 |
| Uncollected Taxes: | Levy of 2004 (including all Taxes) | | 215,814.22 |
| Accounts Receivable: | FEMA/Storm Damage | | 78,193.53 |
| Less Allowance for Abatements | | | (3,565.55) |
| **TOTAL ASSETS** | | | **$2,144,178.28** |
| **Liabilities & Fund Equity** | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | |
| Accounts Owed by the Town: | School Tax Payable | | 1,486,150.00 |
| | FEMA/Storm Damage | | 68,279.16 |
| Special Revenue Fund: | Conservation | | 13,601.16 |
| Capital Reserve Funds: | Bridge Reconstruction | 20,368.42 | |
| | Fire Equipment | 15,188.59 | |
| | Highway Equipment | 21,097.61 | |
| | Landfill Closure | 50,502.44 | |
| | Police Cruiser | 7,979.42 | |
| | Revaluation | 528.23 | |
| | Total Capital Reserve Funds | | 115,664.71 |
| Total Liabilities | | | 1,683,695.03 |
| Fund Equity: | | | |
| Reserved: | Bridge Repair | 40,000.00 | |
| | Engineering | 27,213.57 | |
| | Warner Curtain Restoration | 3,727.94 | |
| | Total Reserved | | 70,941.51 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance (Surplus) End-of December 2003 | | 301,394.22 | |
| Undesignated Fund Balance used to reduce taxes | | (100,000.00) | |
| Undesignated Fund Balance (Surplus) December 2004 | | 188,147.52 | |
| | Total Fund Balance | | 389,541.74 |
| Total Fund Equity | | | 460,483.25 |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITIES** | | | **$2,144,178.28** |

# TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 11:00AM TO 7:00PM

To the inhabitants of the Town of WESTMORELAND in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Westmoreland on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, 2005 **at 11 of the clock** in the forenoon, to act upon the following subject:

Article 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Following the counting of ballots, the meeting will recess until 7:00PM March 9, 2005 at the Westmoreland School gymnasium.

Article 2 To hear the reports of Agents and take any action relative thereto.

Article 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars ($9,000) to remove the existing guardrails and install new guardrails along both sides of Atherton Hill on River Road.
(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation)

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500) to purchase and install a new commercial-size oil furnace in the Town Hall. (The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation)

Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to repave the area in front of the Fire Station and the parking areas in front of the Town Hall.
(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation)

Article 6 To see if Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Twenty Five Thousand Fifty Dollars ($25,050) to fund the cost of a replacement culvert to be installed under South Village Road. The cost of this project will be partially funded by a grant of $18,750 from the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. This grant has already been approved by the New Hampshire State Hazard Mitigation Committee. The remaining cost of Sixty Three Hundred Dollars ($6,300) will be raised by taxation.
(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) to be placed in the existing Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund.
(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation)

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be placed in the existing Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.
(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation)

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) to be placed in the existing Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.
(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation)

Article 10 To see what disposition the Town will vote to make of the Jotham Lord Fund. The funds are included in the proposed operating budget – Article 12.

Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to store the earliest existing Westmoreland Town Record Books at the Historical Society of Cheshire County in Keene, NH. The specific books included for storage include the following: Westmoreland Record Book B (1775-1831), Westmoreland NH Charter Book, and the Westmoreland Treasurer's Record Book, 1807-1870. The Town of Westmoreland will not be charged for this archival storage.

Article 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand Six Hundred Seventy One Dollars ($779,671) which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

Article 13 To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 9th day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Five.

Selectmen of Westmoreland

G. Russell Austin, Chairman

David R. Putnam

Elaine M. Moore

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

| | | Actual Appropriation 2004 | Actual Expenditures 2004 | Selectmen's Budget 2005 | Budget Committee Recommended 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | | | |
| 4130 | Executive | 37,795 | 39,710 | 37,440 | 37,440 |
| 4140 | Elec.,Reg.,& Vital Stats. | 21,645 | 18,970 | 20,020 | 20,020 |
| 4150 | Financial Administration | 17,740 | 16,791 | 45,536 | 45,536 |
| 4153 | Legal Expenses | 6,000 | 3,295 | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| 4155 | Personnel Administration | 51,290 | 45,628 | 49,810 | 49,810 |
| 4191 | Planning & Zoning | 4,082 | 2,517 | 4,704 | 2,775 |
| 4194 | General Government Bldg. | 14,265 | 13,222 | 18,595 | 18,595 |
| 4195 | Cemeteries | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| 4196 | Insurance Not Allocated to Depts. | 12,077 | 9,782 | 17,500 | 17,500 |
| | PUBLIC SAFETY | | | | |
| 4210 | Police | 7,450 | 7,479 | 7,450 | 7,450 |
| 4215 | Ambulance | 7,000 | 6,918 | 7,000 | 7,000 |
| 4220 | Fire & Rescue | 20,080 | 20,316 | 22,780 | 22,780 |
| 4240 | Building Inspection | 3,500 | 4,951 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| 4290 | Emergency Management | 1,000 | 1,786 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| | HIGHWAYS & STREETS | | | | |
| 4311 | Highway Administration | 104,083 | 94,487 | 110,248 | 110,248 |
| 4312 | Highways & Streets | 235,850 | 231,752 | 243,376 | 243,376 |
| 4316 | Street Lighting | 2,300 | 2,172 | 2,300 | 2,300 |
| | SANITATION | | | | |
| 4324 | Solid Waste & Recycling | 75,730 | 75,427 | 81,480 | 81,480 |
| | HEALTH | | | | |
| 4411 | Health Administration | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 4414 | Animal Control | 100 | 60 | 100 | 100 |
| 4415 | Health Agencies/Hospitals | 4,700 | 4,700 | 4,700 | 4,700 |
| | WELFARE | | | | |
| 4441 | Welfare Administration | 100 | 130 | 130 | 130 |
| 4442 | Direct Assistance | 3,000 | 0 | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| | CULTURE & RECREATON | | | | |
| 4520 | Parks & Recreation | 4,475 | 4,375 | 4,375 | 4,375 |
| 4550 | Library | 23,040 | 23,040 | 23,800 | 23,800 |
| 4583 | Patriotic Purposes | 400 | 292 | 400 | 400 |

| | | Actual Appropriation 2004 | Actual Expenditures 2004 | Selectmen's Budget 2005 | Budget Committee Recommended 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CONSERVATION | | | | |
| 4611 | Conservation Commission | 575 | 514 | 350 | 0 |
| | DEBT SERVICE | | | | |
| 4711 | Principal - Highway Truck | 0 | 0 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| 4711 | Principal - Backhoe/Loader | 28,014 | 28,014 | 29,374 | 29,374 |
| 4721 | Interest on Long Term Loans | 3,525 | 3,525 | 3,182 | 3,182 |
| 4723 | Interest on TAN | 4,000 | 2,592 | 3,200 | 3,200 |
| | CAPITAL OUTLAY | | | | |
| 4902 | *Highway Truck | 115,000 | 110,688 | 0 | 0 |
| 4902 | *Fire Pumper | 10,000 | 10,000 | 0 | 0 |
| 4909 | *Warner Curtain Restoration | 6,300 | 6,300 | 0 | 0 |
| 4909 | *Property Assessing | 21,096 | 13,665 | 0 | 0 |
| 4901 | *Gov't Building Paving | 0 | 0 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| 4901 | *Guardrails | 0 | 0 | 9,000 | 9,000 |
| 4901 | *Hazard Mitigation Grant - Culvert | 0 | 0 | 25,050 | 25,050 |
| 4903 | *Town Hall Furnace | 0 | 0 | 3,500 | 3,500 |
| | INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT | | | | |
| 4912 | Conservation Fund | 3,000 | 8,175 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| 4915 | *Capital Res-Bridge Reconstruction | 0 | 0 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| 4915 | *Capital Res-Fire Equipment | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 4915 | *Capital Res-Highway Equipment | 10,000 | 10,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| | Operating Budget | $702,916 | $676,720 | $781,950 | $779,671 |
| | *Special/Individual Warrant Articles | $167,396 | $155,653 | $87,550 | $87,550 |
| | TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: | $870,312 | $832,373 | $869,500 | $867,221 |
| | Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue, Exclusive of Taxes | | | | $605,232 |
| | Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School & County Taxes) | | | | $261,989 |

Budget Committee: Wes Staples, Chair, Robert Moore, Kelly Goodrich, Michael Acerno, Russ Austin

SOURCES OF REVENUE

| | | Estimated Revenues 2004 | Actual Revenues 2004 | Selectmen's Estimated Revenues 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | TAXES | | | |
| 3120 | Land Use Change Tax | 12,600 | 16,350 | 8,000 |
| 3185 | Yield Taxes | 23,000 | 24,580 | 23,000 |
| 3187 | Excavation Tax | 3,800 | 3,801 | 3,800 |
| 3190 | Interest & Penalties-Taxes | 8,800 | 13,032 | 8,650 |
| | LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES | | | |
| 3210 | Business Licenses & Permits | 800 | 900 | 800 |
| 3220 | Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 251,500 | 279,639 | 276,000 |
| 3230 | Building Permits | 3,500 | 4,951 | 4,000 |
| 3290 | Other Licenses, Permits & Fees | 3,855 | 3,989 | 3,505 |
| | FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT | | | |
| 3319 | 03 Snow Storm | 0 | 28,175 | 0 |
| | FROM STATE | | | |
| 3351 | Shared Revenue | 9,686 | 17,819 | 10,000 |
| 3352 | Rooms & Meals | 60,967 | 60,967 | 60,000 |
| 3353 | Highway Block Grant | 68,988 | 68,988 | 73,942 |
| 3356 | Forest Land Reimbursement | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| 3359 | Other | 100 | 81,968 | 18,850 |
| | CHARGES FOR SERVICES | | | |
| 3401 | Income from Departments | 5,540 | 5,935 | 2,700 |
| | SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY | | | |
| 3501 | Sale of Town Owned Property | 15,000 | 15,000 | 0 |
| | MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES | | | |
| 3502 | Interest | 8,000 | 7,244 | 6,500 |
| 3503 | Rent of Property | 4,300 | 5,257 | 5,200 |
| 3506 | Insurance Reimbursement | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| 3509 | Other | 150 | 450 | 250 |
| | INTERFUND TRANSFERS | | | |
| 3916 | Trust Funds | 40 | 12 | 15 |
| | OTHER FINANCING SOURCES | | | |
| 3934 | Proceeds from loan - Highway Truck | 40,000 | 40,000 | 0 |
| 3939 | Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| | TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS | 621,146 | 779,077 | $605,232 |

**TOWN MEETING**
**TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**MARCH 9 & MARCH 10, 2004**

The Annual Town Meeting (Elections) was called to order by Donald Hall, Moderator, Pro-Tem, on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. with the readings of Article One and Article Two of the Town Warrant and Article One of the School Warrant, and declaring the polls open. The remaining Articles are to be considered on Wednesday, March 10, 2004 for the Town Warrant and Friday, March 12, 2004 for the School Warrant after a recess. Polls were declared closed at 7:01 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 by Donald Hall, Moderator, Pro-Tem.

Moderator Peter Heed called the Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2004 at the Westmoreland School with the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the National Anthem.

Moderator Peter Heed explained some of the ground rules as well as telling the townspeople that he has to step down as Moderator, stating that he was able to fulfill this Town Meeting as he was elected to this position prior to the appointment of Attorney General, but in position of Attorney General he is very careful about potential conflicts and "I wouldn't want to have to investigate myself as Moderator. I love being Moderator in Westmoreland and perhaps someday I will be again."

ARTICLE ONE – To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

The results of balloting were as follows: Total ballots cast were 323 of the registered 1008 voters=32%. *---are the winners, and I so declare it." As stated by Moderator Peter Heed by the recorded results.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| For three years | Selectman | |
| | Elaine M. Moore | 194* |
| | Michael Reed | 113 |
| For one year | Tax Collector | |
| | Cindi H. Alder | 292* |
| | Porschia Mason | 29 |
| For one year | Treasurer | |
| | JoAnn LaBarre | 313* |
| For one year (2) | Briggs Fund Committee | |
| | Susan Castor | 5* |
| | Karen LeDuc (declined) | |
| | Tina Fletcher | 4* |
| | Stanley Castor, Jr | 2 |
| For two years | Moderator | |
| | Peter Heed (declined) | 37 |
| | Carlson Barrett | 11* |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | Bruce Smith | 5 |
| | Donald Hall | 4 |
| For one year | Overseer of Public Welfare | |
| | Elaine M. Moore | 276* |
| For three years | Budget Committee | |
| | Robert Moore, Jr. | 7* |
| | Wesley Staples | 4 |
| For three years | Cemetery Trustee | |
| | JoAnn LaBarre | 309* |
| For Two years | Auditor | |
| | Robert Moore, Jr | 5* |
| | Susan Reed | 5 |
| For three years | Trustee of Trust Funds | |
| | George Nitschelm | 12* |
| | Gwen Mitchell | 5 |
| For six years | Supervisor of Checklist | |
| | Dorothy M. Thompson | 283* |
| For one year | Town Clerk | |
| | Cindi H. Adler | 309* |
| | Porschia Mason | 4 |
| For three years | Trustee of Library | |
| | Jayne Burnett | 286* |
| For one year | Trustee of Library | |
| | Bruce A. Clement | 299* |

ARTICLE TWO – To see if the voters will approve the Zoning changes as proposed by the Planning Board. (Copies on file in the Town Clerk office)

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No.1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 421:1 Portable Structures

Portable structures are allowed by permit if they meet all other regulations for the zone in which they are placed.

YES – 234* NO – 81

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No.2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 414 Location of Driveways

All driveways are to be located at least one hundred (100) feet from a street line intersection for all uses, except one and two family residential uses, and shall be subject to approval by the Town Road Agent. All driveways must be accessed from the frontage of a Class V or better road. No driveway can be closer than 10 feet from a boundary line.

YES – 242* NO – 76

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 3 by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance,s follows:

SECTION 413 Drive-In Establishments

Plans for the erection or structural alteration of any drive-in facility or business shall be submitted to the Planning Board for approval. The Board may require such changes or additions in relation to years, driveways, entrances and exits, and landscaping, and the location, height and exterior sketches of buildings and enclosures to insure safety, to minimize traffic or difficulties, and to safeguard adjacent properties.

YES – 244* NO – 64

ARTICLE THREE – To hear the reports of Agents and Auditors and take any action relative thereto.

Article Three motion to move by Russ Austin, seconded by Mike Reed. No discussion. Article Three voted in the Affirmative by voice vote.

ARTICLE FOUR – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifteen thousand dollars ($115,000) to purchase a new highway truck with plows and an all season body; and to authorize the issuance of not more than forty-thousand dollars ($40,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA33); and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; with the balance of seventy-five-thousand dollars ($75,000) to be raised by taxation. 2/3 ballot vote is required. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article Four motion to move by Russ Austin and seconded by Wendy Putnam, was addressed by Mike Reed stating that this is the last of the fleet needing replacement which will set the 10-year replacement cycle into place for all of the highway equipment. Moderator Peter Heed asked" what about the color? I like green." Mike Reed stated it would be green. Moderator asked for any other questions – none asked. Ballot vote to be cast after Article Six.

ARTICLE EIGHT- To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-three-hundred dollars ($6,300) to restore the Warner Curtain in the Town Hall. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

David Putnam moved the motion to Article Eight and Russ Austin seconded it. Walter Carroll spoke to the article stating that there was written material handed out on this and hoped that everyone had a chance to look at the curtain behind the Moderator and Selectmen. He stated that it was probably painted after WWII. He enclosed a bit of Everett Warner's biography in the handout. Mr. Warner was quite well thought of and Walter personally likes his work very much. He had an ash-can style of painting. He was well respected where he taught and with the work he donated. He has a son in Pennsylvania and a son in Wolfboro that Walter has chatted with and exchanged information. The last time Mr. Warner's work exchanged in a market it brought six figures. There is a group of curators in Vermont that have been discovering and refinishing town curtains and gave us some suggestions at the best way to restore our curtain, without seeing it. Marshall Patmos asked if it is and will it be properly insured or is it only covered under the Town Hall insurance. John Lukin stated that $6,300 may be only a drop in the bucket of what it will cost to restore and protect. Walter Carroll stated that he is working with a conservator for the plan they have right now, but making sure it is cleared with others first. Patrice Aguda-Brown asked if it should be permanently displayed instead of rolled up or moved around. Walter stated that part of the cost figured is to make a box so that it can be retracted and rolled to move it. Possibly to be displayed in the School Gymnasium for Town Meetings and the like. The box will insure it's safety between displays. Jeanette Blanchette stated that it doesn't make sense to roll it up and asked if anyone had looked into having it appraised, framed, under glass, etc. Walter stated that the present rolling devise rolls it up too tightly, and that most of the damage has been done from not rolling it up and down carefully. After restoration it will be rolled to a larger roll and it will be better.

Article Eight voted unanimously in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE NINE - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five-thousand dollars %$5,000) to purchase a computer and motor vehicle registration software for the Town Clerk office. The Selectmen and the Budget committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion to move Article Nine was by Russ Austin and seconded by Donald Hall. Cindi Adler spoke to the Article stating that in talking to Munismart, the company so many of the towns recommend now, we would not be able to get on line, the programs, computer and printer along with the support system and training for much under $7,500 and the state has a new MAAP (Municipal Agent Automation Project) project to develop a new Motor Vehicle Automated online system to be used by Municipal Agents that is not up and running completely yet so that the best we could do is get ready for next year when it is up and running by having the computer system and a vendor that will be certified to interface with MAAP, along with the training and knowledge when it is up and running. Marshall Patmos then amended the Article to change the amount from $5,000 to $7,500 which was seconded by Jack Laurent. The amendment was voted in the affirmative by voice vote. Dan LaFleur asked what the Budget Committee and Selectmen felt about this and Bob Moore from the Budget Committee stated that he was against it as he doesn't mind driving to Keene for this registrations once a year. It was cheaper than $7,500 for a computer system. Mike Reed spoke for the Selectmen stating that they felt $5,000 was

enough to get the computer, motor vehicle program they picked out and printers and that they thought it would save everyone in town a trip to Keene to get their motor vehicle stickers. Dan LaFleur stated that since the Town Clerk sends copies of the Motor Vehicle registrations now prior to their renewal, and gives everyone the option to register by mail now, one doesn't have to leave the comfort of their home to re-register their vehicles, "I just registered my two cars by mail, and it only cost me .37 cents, twice." The amended Article was too close to call by voice vote so the Moderator requested a Hand Vote.

Amended Article Nine was defeated by Hand Vote YES – 40 No – 56

ARTICLE TEN- To see if the town will approve the following question: Shall we adopt the provisions of RDA 72:1-C which authorize any town or city to elect NOT to assess, levy and collect a Resident Tax:

Article Ten motion moved by Russ Austin and seconded by Mike Reed. Russ Austin stated that it was plain and simple, this article has to be voted on in order to kill the Resident Tax. We know that a few would like to see it continue, but perhaps the majority would like to discontinue it. Last year we took in $8,860 in Resident Taxes, and after the Tax Collector's fee and mailing, we netted possibly $7,604. The State said that only 36 of the 234 towns still hold the Resident Tax in place – that's 15%. All others have discontinued it. Leigh Marthe stated that the Resident Tax would have almost paid for the Fire Truck – instead of a bake sale –isn't it still worth it. Jeff Ingram asked isn't it better to get $10,000 out of $10,000. Marshal Patmos suggested we keep the Resident Tax one more year to pay for the Town Clerk computer next year. Pat Bentrup stated that she hated to tell the younger group, but the people like her over 65 do not have to pay it. Mike Reed stated that it is still a tax-one will pay the $10 in Resident Tax or roughly 7 cents on the tax rate to pay the difference-there is no gain. Jim Beeler stated, "I don't think any of us are going to live long enough to see any of our other taxes eliminated, so we should probably seize the moment'. Jack Laurent stated that based on last year's tax rate he will now pay $22 extra tax on something he no longer had to pay as he is over 65, but let's get rid of it anyway.

Article Ten voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE ELEVEN – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to be placed in the existing Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article Eleven motion to move by Mike Reed and seconded by Russ Austin. No discussion.

Article Eleven voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE TWELVE – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten-thousand dollars ($10,000) to be placed in the existing Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen and the Budget committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion moved on Article Twelve by Mike Reed and seconded by David Putnam. John Lukin asked what amount was in the Fund now. JoAnn LaBarre stated that it was $10,981.88. John asked if this article is over and above what we just voted in for the new truck. David Putnam stated that it is over and above what we just voted in for the new

truck. With the new truck the fleet will be in good shape and if we continue to put away into this fund, by the time we need a new truck, we should have the majority of the money raised.

Article Twelve voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN – In accordance with RSA 35:15, to see if the town will vote to name the Selectmen as agents of the following Capital Reserve Funds: Highway Truck, Cruiser, Fire Truck and Bridge Rebuilding.

Article Thirteen so moved by Mike Reed and seconded by Russ Austin. Mike Reed spoke to the article stating that what this article does for the town. If the Selectmen of the Town are not names, the Selectmen cannot spend the funds. Most towns make the Selectmen agents to the funds. It has to go only for what the Capital Reserve Fund specifically states- it is not an open checkbook for the Selectmen.. Moderator Peter Heed stated that he is surprised we hadn't voted this already - that most towns have this. Dan LaFleur asked what the Cruiser Fund is. Mike Reed stated that it is for a Police Cruiser, not a PT Cruiser. Flossie Gray asked who was going to drive the cruiser. Moderator Peter Heed said we'll take that up at the next Police Meeting.

Article Thirteen voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN – To see if the town will vote in increase the Disabled Veteran's Exemption from seven-hundred dollars ($700) to fourteen-hundred dollars ($1,400).

Moderator Peter Heed stated that this might look familiar from last year. We voted for this by voice vote last year and it needed to be by ballot vote. The DRA rules have changed and now it can be voted in by voice vote this year so it's basically a formality. Motion of Article Fourteen moved by Mike Reed and seconded by Dave Putnam. Russ Austin stated that this does not affect many people. JoAnn LaBarre stated that it affected on person by its error last year and that she strongly suggests the Selectmen consider an abatement for that one person for his 2003 Property Tax.

Article Fourteen voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE FOUR ballots counted and results were: YES 100 NO 14.
Article Four passes with more than 2/3 vote.

ARTICLE SIX ballots counted and results were: YES 87 NO 27
Article Six passes with more than 2/3 vote.

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the 1994 International highway truck as they see fit.

Article Five moved by Dave Putnam and seconded by Mike Reed. Bob Moore, Jr. asked if "…as we see fit" should be in the Article as it is already included in the Revenue side of the budget. Mike Reed stated that the proceeds of the truck sale will go into the General Fund to reduce the taxes. It is included in with the Revenues.
Article Five voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to $40 for the library and to use the 2003 interest from the Jotham Lord Fund for this purpose. The Selectmen and the Budget committee recommend this appropriation.

Article Fifteen motion moved by Mike Reed and seconded by Russ Austin. Russ Austin made motion to amend the Article to" "To see if the Town will vote to use the 2003 interest from the Jotham Lord Fund for the Library." Stating that the amount was already put into the Operating Budget so this is the simplest way around it all. Without the Amendment, the amount would be put in twice. We almost forgot to put it in at all. Moderator Peter Heed said it just needs "to change the language."

Amended Article Fifteen voted in the affirmative by Voice Vote.

ARTICLE SIXTEEN – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $702,876, which represents the operating budget; said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

Mike Reed moved to motion to Article Sixteen and Russ Austin seconded it. Bob Moore, Jr. stated that it should be brought out that the Budget Committee brought in the raise for Selectmen from $1,000 -$1,500 and a total increase for the Ballot Clerks and Supervisors of the Checklist is $240 total this year. Mike Reed stated that it was Bob himself that brought that to the Committee – another Historical Moment!

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN – To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Motion to move Article Seventeen by Mike Reed and seconded by Russ Austin. Moderator Peter Heed stated that this part of the Warrant was not in the Annual Report, but is the part of the Warrant and needs to be addressed. Ted Ferguson asked for an update on the Flood situation and how did we make out: Mike Reed gave the Highlights of where we stand and stated that anyone can come look at the folder for the exact amounts. He stated that the town has received money from the federal government to help with the repairs but not from the state. "To date, the state has not, I repeat not, contributed any money to the rebuilding efforts." He said that the majority of the work is complete, and the town and federal funds have covered the costs so far and we are waiting for some more of the money. Kelly Goodrich asked if South Village Road has a base coat or final coat. Mike Reed stated that he thinks it is a 3" completed coat. John Harris asked if there are any plans to fix the railroad culvert. Marshall Patmos stated that the State is working on that. Barbara Chase thanked the Selectmen for their job through the floods. Mike Reed thanked the Highway Crew for their help and efforts as well as the Fire/Rescue. Harry Nelson thanked Wilkes Construct for their help in the effort. Dave Putnam thanked Mike Reed for his three years as Selectman, as did Russ Austin. Russ Austin also welcomed Elaine Moore aboard as the new Selectman. Russ Austin stated that we are all out of Town Histories, they sold gradually through the years and the outfit that published them is now out of existence. If anyone has any interest, please contact Bill Howland – maybe someone would like to get into this. Also, we are in need of new voting booths if anyone would like to help with that. Barbara Messer stated that since Elaine Moore was voted in as Selectman, we need a new Supervisor of the Checklist to fill her remaining four-year position, and to see her if interested. Mike Reed thanked Pete Petschick of Chesterfield for his help in getting us money for the floods. The Selectmen are looking for an Emergency Management Director if anyone is interested.

Arthur Ainsworth, who passed away this year was recognized for all he did for our town and county. Linn Starkey, Jr. addressed the town as Planning Board and gave an autographed (by the Planning Board) copy of the Master Plan to Carrie Siminio, for all of Reggie Simino's help throughout the years and work on it. And also a copy to Walter Carroll for all the sketches he submitted for their use.

Motion to adjourn the 2004 Annual Town Meeting of Westmoreland, NH was at 9:30 pm by Wendy Putnam and seconded by Barbara Messer. Voted in the Affirmative by Voice Vote.

Unapproved Minutes
Cyndi Adler – Town Clerk

## INVENTORY VALUATION – 2004

| | |
|---|---|
| Residential Land | $49,271,600 |
| Residential Buildings | 73,205,000 |
| Current Use Land | 2,876,677 |
| Commercial Land | 7,411,700 |
| Commercial Buildings | 7,832,900 |
| Manufactured Buildings | 496,600 |
| Public Utilities | 2,473,500 |
| NET VALUE PRIOR TO EXEMPTIONS | 143,567,977 |
| Exemptions to Value | 200,000 |
| NET VALUATION FOR COMPUTATION OF TAX RATE | 143,360,977 |

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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|---|---|
| Town Hall-Land and Buildings | 538,900 |
| Town Hall- Furniture & Equipment | 30,000 |
| Library – Land and Buildings | 250,500 |
| Library Contents | 87,400 |
| Police Department Equipment | 3,000 |
| Fire Department – Land and Buildings | 77,200 |
| Fire Department Contents | 100,000 |
| Highway Department – Land & Buildings | 148,400 |
| Highway Department Contents | 51,500 |
| Parks, Common, and Playgrounds | 142,200 |
| School – Land & Buildings | 1,781,700 |
| School Equipment | 210,000 |
| Historical Building & Contents | 98,200 |
| Transfer Station – Land & Buildings | 120,700 |
| Misc. Land (11 properties) | 263,100 |
| TOTAL | $3,902,300 |

## APPROPRIATIONS, TAXES ASSESSED & TAX RATE

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Executive | | $37,795 |
| Election, Registration & Vital Statistics | | 21,645 |
| Financial Administration | | 17,740 |
| Legal Expense | | 6,000 |
| Personnel Administration | | 51,290 |
| Planning & Zoning | | 4,082 |
| General Government Building | | 14,265 |
| Cemeteries | | 6,000 |
| Insurance | | 12,077 |
| Police | | 7,450 |
| Ambulance | | 7,000 |
| Fire & Rescue | | 20,080 |
| Building Inspector | | 3,500 |
| Emergency Management | | 1,000 |
| Highways & Streets | | 339,933 |
| Street Lighting | | 2,300 |
| Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling | | 75,730 |
| Animal Control | | 100 |
| Health Officer | | 100 |
| Welfare - Direct Assistance | | 3,000 |
| Welfare Officer | | 100 |
| Health Agencies | | 4,700 |
| Parks & Recreation | | 4,475 |
| Library | | 23,040 |
| Patriotic Purposes | | 400 |
| Conservation Commission | | 575 |
| Loader/Backhoe | | 28,014 |
| Interest on TAN & Long Term | | 7,525 |
| Highway Truck | | 115,000 |
| Fire Pumper | | 10,000 |
| Warner Curtain Restoration | | 6,300 |
| Property Assessing | | 21,096 |
| Conservation Fund Transfer | | 3,000 |
| Capital Res. Fire Truck | | 5,000 |
| Capital Res. Highway Equipment | | 10,000 |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATION - TOWN | | **$870,312** |
| Less Revenues | | 621,146 |
| Less Shared Revenue | | 6,464 |
| Add-War Service Credits | | 9,300 |
| Add -Overlay | | 14,202 |
| NET TOWN APPROPRIATION | | 266,204 |
| NET LOCAL EDUCATION TAX | | 1,626,311 |
| STATE EDUCATION TAX | | 389,839 |
| COUNTY TAX ASSESSMENT | | 303,412 |
| TOTAL TOWN, SCHOOL, COUNTY | | $2,585,766 |
| Less-War Service Credits | | 9,300 |
| TOTAL TAX COMMITTMENT | | **$2,576,466** |
| NET LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET | $2,633,362 | |
| Less-ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT | 617,212 | |
| Less-STATE EDUCATION TAX | 389,839 | |
| | $1,626,311 | |

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| **2004 Tax Rate** | School - Local | $11.25 |
| | School - State | $2.74 |
| | County | $2.10 |
| | Town | $1.85 |
| | | **$17.94** |

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2004**

| | EXPENDITURE | |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | |
| 4130 Executive Office: | | |
| Administrative Assistant | 26,837.02 | |
| Selectmen | 4,125.00 | |
| Moderator | 75.00 | |
| Trustees of Trust Funds | 100.00 | |
| Tax Maps | 463.35 | |
| Printing | 1,694.19 | |
| Dues | 1,105.00 | |
| Notices | 390.12 | |
| Equipment Agreements | 700.00 | |
| Equipment- Computer | 2,802.50 | |
| Supplies | 595.75 | |
| Postage & PO Fees | 273.81 | |
| Equipment Repair | 0.00 | |
| Equipment | 203.82 | |
| Jotham Lord Fund | 12.44 | |
| Other | 332.00 | 39,710.00 |
| 4140 Election, Registration & Vital Statistics: | | |
| Town Clerk | 3,924.96 | |
| Town Clerk Fees | 9,342.00 | |
| Deputy Town Clerk | 0.00 | |
| Election Fees | 300.00 | |
| Supervisors of Checklist Fees | 325.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk Fees | 420.00 | |
| Town Clerk Telephone | 862.21 | |
| Interpretor Fees | 0.00 | |
| Printing | 183.52 | |
| Town Clerk Dues | 45.00 | |
| Notices | 201.06 | |
| Equipment Agreements | 700.00 | |
| Election Day Dinners | 200.00 | |
| Town Clerk Supplies | 314.23 | |
| Postage | 699.41 | |
| Town Clerk Publications | 136.00 | |
| Licenses- Dog/Marriage | 1,051.69 | |
| Vital Statistics | 195.00 | |
| Town Clerk Workshops | 32.00 | |
| Other | 38.15 | 18,970.23 |
| 4150 Financial Administration: | | |
| Tax Collector | 4,899.96 | |
| Tax Collector Fees | 1,654.00 | |
| Auditors | 300.00 | |
| Treasurer | 7,500.00 | |
| Bank Charges | 312.30 | |
| Recording Fees | 170.81 | |
| Printing | 67.00 | |
| Dues | 20.00 | |
| Tax Collector Supplies | 267.15 | |
| Treasurer Supplies | 415.48 | |
| Postage | 1,185.48 | |
| Other | 0.00 | 16,792.18 |
| 4153 Legal Expenses | | 3,294.92 |

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| 4155 Personnel Administration | | |
| Health Insurance | 22,710.00 | |
| Dental Insurance | 1,485.72 | |
| FICA | 11,691.14 | |
| Medicare | 2,734.24 | |
| Retirement | 7,006.54 | 45,627.64 |
| 4191 Planning & Zoning: | | |
| ZBA Clerk Fees | 70.00 | |
| Maps | 0.00 | |
| Printing | 0.00 | |
| SWRPC Membership Dues | 1,907.00 | |
| Notices | 333.22 | |
| Supplies | 0.00 | |
| Postage | 206.52 | |
| Other | 0.00 | 2,516.74 |
| 4194 General Government Buildings: | | |
| Custodian | 4,200.04 | |
| Telephone | 1,396.09 | |
| Internet Service | 199.50 | |
| Electricity | 912.00 | |
| Heating Fuel | 2,941.23 | |
| Propane | 83.41 | |
| Repairs & Maintenance | 2,566.15 | |
| Supplies | 97.70 | |
| Mowing | 815.00 | |
| Other | 11.20 | 13,222.32 |
| 4195 Cemeteries | | 6,000.00 |
| 4196 Insurance Not Allocated/Dept | | |
| Worker's Compensation | 5,199.50 | |
| Property Insurance | 1,439.11 | |
| Liability Insurance | 3,143.25 | |
| Contingency Fund | 0.00 | 9,781.86 |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | | |
| 4210 Police Department: | | |
| Constable Salary | 6,000.00 | |
| E&O Insurance | 779.25 | |
| Operation – Gasoline | 0.00 | |
| Supplies | 700.00 | |
| Other | 0.00 | 7,479.25 |
| 4215 Ambulance - Contracted Service | | 6,917.81 |
| 4220 Fire & Rescue Departments: | | |
| Fire Chief Salary | 1,000.00 | |
| Telephones | 641.38 | |
| Training | 1,054.32 | |
| Electricity | 573.95 | |
| Heating Fuel | 1,758.56 | |
| E&O Insurance | 379.50 | |
| Life Insurance | 180.00 | |
| Vehicle Insurance | 1,710.00 | |
| Dues | 0.00 | |
| Office Supplies | 8.96 | |
| Building Repair & Maintenance | 471.91 | |
| Radio Repair | 991.16 | |
| Vehicle Fuel | 678.64 | |
| Vehicle Repair & Maintenance | 4,555.05 | |
| Vehicle Inspection/Registration | 130.00 | |
| Equipment | 6,169.27 | |
| Equipment - Radios | 0.00 | |
| Other | 13.47 | 20,316.17 |

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| 4240 Building Inspection: | | |
| Building Inspector Salary | | 4,950.74 |
| 4290 Emergency Management: | | |
| Forest Fire Control | | 1,786.22 |
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| HIGHWAYS & STREETS | | |
| 4311 Highway Administration: | | |
| Permanent Wages | 93,579.27 | |
| Temporary Wages | 907.50 | 94,486.77 |
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| 4312 Highways & Streets: | | |
| Telephone | 408.91 | |
| Drug/Alcohol Testing | 193.00 | |
| Electricity | 648.58 | |
| Hired Equipment | 4,284.87 | |
| Vehicle Insurance | 2,720.72 | |
| Building Repair & Maintenance | 4,534.44 | |
| Paving- Asphalt | 92,927.17 | |
| Paving- Shiming | 11,467.96 | |
| Salt & Chloride | 31,426.62 | |
| Sand & Gravel | 22,859.00 | |
| Vehicle Fuel & Oil | 15,801.74 | |
| Vehicle Repair & Maintenance | 26,651.84 | |
| Cutting Edges | 7,145.49 | |
| Tires | 3,581.00 | |
| Vehicle Inspection & Registration | 80.00 | |
| Culverts | 5,576.87 | |
| Signs | 653.14 | |
| Other | 789.90 | 231,751.25 |
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| 4316 Street Lighting | | 2,172.48 |
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| SANITATION | | |
| 4324 Solid Waste Disposal: | | |
| Recycling Employee | 3,840.00 | |
| Telephone | 381.71 | |
| Disposal Service | 66,676.15 | |
| Testing Fees | 4,070.00 | |
| Electricity | 356.99 | |
| Other | 102.50 | |
| | | 75,427.35 |
| HEALTH | | |
| 4411 Health Officer Salary | | 100.00 |
| 4414 Animal Control | | 60.00 |
| 4415 Health Agencies | | 4,700.00 |
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| WELFARE | | |
| 4441 Welfare Administration: | | |
| Welfare Officer Salary | 100.00 | |
| Dues | 30.00 | 130.00 |
| 4442 Direct Assistance | | 0.00 |
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| CULTURE & RECREATION | | |
| 4520 Park & Recreation: | | |
| Mowing | 4,375.00 | |
| Other | 0.00 | 4,375.00 |
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| 4550 Library: | | |
| Library Salaries | 16,161.78 | |
| Appropriation | 6,878.22 | 23,040.00 |
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| 4583 Patriotic Purposes-Flags | | 291.91 |

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| CONSERVATION | | |
| 4611 Conservation: | | |
| Maps | 0.00 | |
| Dues | 350.00 | |
| Other | 164.00 | 514.00 |
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| DEBT SERVICE | | |
| 4711 Loader/Backhoe | | 28,013.55 |
| 4721 Interest on Long Term Loans | | 3,524.79 |
| 4723 Short Term Interest on TAN | | 2,591.88 |
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| CAPITAL OUTLAY | | |
| 4902 Machinery, Vehicle & Equipment: | | |
| Highway Truck | | 110,688.00 |
| Fire Pumper | | 10,000.00 |
| 4909 Other: | | |
| Warner Curtain Restoration | | 6,300.00 |
| Property Assessing | | 13,665.00 |
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| INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT | | |
| Transfer to Special Revenue Account | | |
| 4912 Conservation Fund | | 8,175.00 |
| | | |
| Transfer to Capital Reserve Accounts | | |
| 4915 Fire Equipment | | 5,000.00 |
| 4915 Highway Equipment | | 10,000.00 |
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| TOTAL TOWN OPERATING EXPENSES | | **832,373.06** |
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| OTHER EXPENSES | | |
| Refund of Taxes | 15,339.22 | |
| County Taxes | 305,081.00 | |
| Overpayment of Property Tax | 143.00 | |
| School District | 1,528,134.00 | |
| Short Term Principal (TAN) | 450,000.00 | |
| Taxes Bought By Town | 42,612.39 | |
| Accounts Payable - FEMA | 26,382.08 | |
| Reserved from 2003: | | |
| Engineering | 28,760.10 | |
| Map Digitizing | 4,200.00 | |
| Town Hall Repairs | 500.00 | |
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| TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES | | 2,401,151.79 |
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| GRAND TOTAL PAYMENTS | | **3,233,524.85** |

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| BALANCE ON HAND - January 1, 2004 | $1,124,160.62 | |
| Plus Receipts | $6,260,077.02 | |
| Less Payments | $5,734,118.27 | |
| CASH ON HAND - December 31, 2004 | **$1,650,119.37** | |

Distribution of Cash on Hand

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|---|---|
| Bank of New Hampshire Checking | $181,323.79 |
| Bank of New Hampshire Investment Account | $1,454,472.16 |
| MBIA Investment Account | $722.26 |
| Conservation Commission Fund | $13,601.16 |
| | **$1,650,119.37** |

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS - 2004

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| From Local Taxes: | | |
| Property Taxes - Current Year | 2,494,177.75 | |
| Tax Leins Redeemed | 40,440.10 | |
| Taxes Sold to Town | 39,394.00 | |
| Resident Taxes - 2003 & Delinquent | 1,320.00 | |
| Land Use Change Tax | 16,350.00 | |
| Yield (Timber) Tax | 22,085.59 | |
| Excavation Tax | 3,801.38 | |
| Tax Interest & Penalties | 6,764.27 | |
| Tax Interest & Costs - Redemptions | 6,267.53 | |
| Total from Local Taxes | | $2,630,600.62 |
| From Licenses & Permits: | | |
| Motor Vehicle Permits | 278,823.00 | |
| Motor Vehicle Application File Fee | 816.00 | |
| U.C.C. Fees | 875.00 | |
| Dog Licenses & Fines | 2,518.50 | |
| Building Permits | 4,950.74 | |
| Planning & Zoning Hearings | 944.00 | |
| Marriage Licenses | 180.00 | |
| Vital Statistics Requests | 180.00 | |
| Pistol Permits | 80.00 | |
| Current Use Fees | 32.74 | |
| Dump Permits | 13.00 | |
| Junk Yard Fee | 25.00 | |
| Non-Sufficient-Fund Fees | 30.00 | |
| Candidacy Filing Fees | 11.00 | |
| Total from Licenses & Permits | | $289,478.98 |

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| From Federal Sources | | |
| Federal Gov't Refund - '03 Snow Storm | 5,242.08 | |
| Federal Gov't - '03 Floods - Overage | 22,932.49 | |
| Federal Gov't Refund - '03 Floods - Accts Receivable | 37,136.47 | |
| Total from Federal Sources | | $65,311.04 |
| From State Sources: | | |
| Shared Revenue | 17,819.00 | |
| Rooms & Meals Distribution | 60,967.40 | |
| Highway Block Grant | 68,987.75 | |
| Forest Land Reimbursement | 19.96 | |
| Forest Fire Reimbursement | 994.94 | |
| Disaster Relief - 2003 Floods | 80,972.88 | |
| Fire Dept Camera - Accts Receivable | 8,456.47 | |
| Total from Intergovernmental Sources | | $238,218.40 |
| From Charges for Services: | | |
| Welfare Department | 2,257.03 | |
| Westmoreland School District | 1,616.66 | |
| Fire Department | 678.64 | |
| Misc. | 1,383.08 | |
| Total from Charges for Services | | $5,935.41 |
| From Sale of Town Property & Equipment: | | |
| Highway Truck | 15,000.00 | |
| | | $15,000.00 |
| From Interest | | |
| Checking Account | 1,648.10 | |
| Investment Accounts | 5,668.76 | |
| | | $7,316.86 |
| From Rent of Property: | | |
| Post Office Rent | 4,000.08 | |
| Town Hall Rent | 1,257.00 | |
| Total from Rent of Property | | $5,257.08 |
| From Other Local Sources: | | |
| Copies & Postage | 209.29 | |
| Misc. | 240.54 | |
| Total from Other Local Sources | | $449.83 |
| Transfer from Trust Fund - Jotham Lord | 12.44 | |
| | | $12.44 |
| From Other Financial Sources: | | |
| Proceeds from Long-Term Notes | 40,000.00 | |
| Tax Anticipation Notes | 450,000.00 | |
| Total from Other Financial Sources | | $490,000.00 |
| GRAND TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS | | $3,747,580.66 |

## STATUS OF ACCOUNTS IN HANDS OF TREASURER

| | |
|---|---|
| MBIA Investment Account | |
| Balance - January 1, 2004 | $715.72 |
| Plus Deposits in 2004 | $0.00 |
| Plus Interest Earned in 2004 | $6.54 |
| Less Withdrawals in 2004 | $0.00 |
| Balance - December 31, 2004 | **$722.26** |
| | |
| New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool | |
| Balance - January 1, 2004 | $853,882.48 |
| Plus Deposits in 2004 | $1,550,000.00 |
| Plus Interest Earned in 2004 | $5,589.68 |
| Less Withdrawals in 2004 | $955,000.00 |
| Balance - December 31, 2004 | **$1,454,472.16** |
| | |
| Conservation Commission Account | |
| Balance - January 1, 2004 | 5,353.62 |
| Plus transfer from General Fund | 8,175.00 |
| Plus intereste received | 72.54 |
| Less Payments | 0.00 |
| Balance - December 31, 2004 | **$13,601.16** |

## LOANS OUTSTANDING

Backhoe & Loader Lease - John Deere Credit
- Date of Lease - 6/10/02
- Maturity of Lease - 6/10/06
- Amount of Lease - $143,750
- Rate of Lease - 4.75%
- Payment per year - $31,538.34 (includes interest)
- Amount owed on lease (as of 12/31/04) - $60,173.15

Jo Ann LaBaire
Treasurer

Highway Truck - Connecticut River Bank
- Date of Loan - 12/8/04
- Maturity of Loan - 12/31/06
- Amount of Loan - $40,000
- Rate of Loan - 2.39%
- Payment per year - $20,000 plus interest
- Amount owed on loan (as of 12/31/04) - $41,494.24

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 2003 FLOODING IN WESTMORELAND

The 2003 flooding in Westmoreland involved two areas of work: 1.) repairs of the roads and 2.) replacement of the Mill Brook bridge. All road repairs have now been finished. The bridge work should start in the first few months of 2005 and will continue throughout the year until done.

The itemization of the finances associated with the road work is given below.

| INCOME | |
|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire | $80,972.88 |
| FEMA | 421,598.67 |
| Total Income | $502,571.55 |

| EXPENSES | |
|---|---|
| All States Asphalt | $58,024.00 |
| BFC, Inc. | 584.26 |
| Cersosimo Industries | 28,306.75 |
| Cold River Materials | 2,474.86 |
| Fall Mountain Building Supply | 13,413.45 |
| F W Whitcomb | 173,927.00 |
| Gary Hudson | 1,500.00 |
| George R. Graves | 21,080.00 |
| Graves Trucking | 7,284.00 |
| Highway Steel | 519.00 |
| Keene Sentinel | 34.80 |
| Lane Construction | 34,678.72 |
| Pat Rawson Construction | 384.00 |
| Payroll Overtime | 1,396.13 |
| SVE Associates | 7,912.02 |
| Wes Staples | 462.00 |
| Westmoreland Store | 157.89 |
| Wilkes Bros. Construction | 56,441.67 |
| Total Expenses | $408,580.55 |

With the road portion finished, we are left with a surplus of $93,991. This will now be applied to the costs of the bridge replacement. We do expect further income from FEMA and also from the State of NH in the form of Bridge Aid. Hopefully, the Town of Westmoreland will be left with only a very minor portion of any bridge costs.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
### Summary of Tax Accounts - Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2004

| DEBITS | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | PRIOR |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Uncollected Taxes Beginning Fiscal Year: | | | | |
| Property Taxes | | 173,485.25 | | |
| Resident Taxes | | 1,480.00 | | |
| Yield Taxes | | 1,182.65 | | $ 839.00 |
| Taxes Commited This Year | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 2,576,876.00 | | | |
| Land Use Change | 16,350.00 | | | |
| Yield Taxes | 25,539.93 | | | |
| Excavation Tax @ .02/yd | 3,801.38 | | | |
| Overpayments: | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 143.00 | | | |
| Yield Taxes | 0.06 | | | |
| Interest - Late Tax | 226.34 | 6,410.93 | | |
| Resident Tax Penalty | | 127.00 | | |
| **TOTAL DEBITS** | **$ 2,622,936.71** | **$ 182,685.83** | | **$ 839.00** |

| CREDITS | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year: | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 2,261,086.50 | 133,091.25 | | |
| Resident Taxes | | 1,320.00 | | |
| Land Use Change | 16,350.00 | | | |
| Yield Taxes | 22,085.59 | | | |
| Interest | 226.34 | 6,410.93 | | |
| Penalties | | 127.00 | | |
| Excavation Tax @ .02/yd | 3,801.38 | | | |
| Conversion to Lien | | 39,394.00 | | |
| Abatements Made | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 3,882.97 | 1,000.00 | | |
| Resident Taxes | | 160.00 | | |
| Yield Taxes | 2,134.61 | | | |
| Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 212,049.53 | | | |
| Yield Taxes | 1,319.79 | 1,182.65 | | 839.00 |
| **TOTAL CREDITS** | **$2,622,936.71** | **$182,685.83** | | **$ 839.00** |

## SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
### Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2004

| DEBITS | Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of: | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | PRIOR |
| Unredeemed Liens Balance Beginning of Fiscal Year: | | 250,147.76 | 29,955.32 | 38,958.68 |
| Liens Exeucted Dring Fiscal Year | 42,612.39 | | | |
| Interest & Costed Collected | 321.33 | 2,023.90 | 1,636.64 | 2,285.66 |
| Overpayment | 120.33 | | | |
| **TOTAL DEBITS** | **42,054.05** | **27,038.66** | **31,591.96** | **41,244.34** |
| **CREDITS** | | | | |
| Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year: | | | | |
| Redemptions | 7,182.93 | 8,639.30 | 8,934.40 | 15,683.47 |
| Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution | 321.33 | 2,023.90 | 1,636.64 | 2,285.66 |
| Liens Deeded to Municipality | 1,128.76 | 1,814.54 | 1,694.69 | 3,511.06 |
| Unreddemed Liens Balance End Of Year | 34,421.03 | 14,560.92 | 19,326.23 | 19,764.15 |
| **TOTAL CREDITS** | **$43,054.05** | **$27,038.66** | **$31,591.09** | **$41,244.34** |

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
## WESTMORELAND, NH 03467
## FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2004

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Motor Vehicle Registrations | 2,384 | $278,823.00 |
| Title Application Fees | | 816.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 378 Tag | 2,368.50 |
| | 6 Group | 150.00 |
| Vital Statistical Research/Requests | | 180.00 |
| Marriage Licenses | 4 | 180.00 |
| Candidacy Filings | 13 | 11.00 |
| UCC and Other Filings | | 860.00 |
| Bank Return Fees | | 30.00 |
| **TOTAL COLLECTED BY TOWN CLERK** | | **$283,418.50** |

## AUDITORS REPORT

The year 2004 town books have not been audited at this time as there is a warrant article to be voted on to have a CPA do the auditing after April 1.

Board of Selectmen

## PLANNING BOARD – 2004

The Westmoreland Planning Board holds regular meetings on the second Tuesday of the month. The meetings are held in the Selectmen's Office at the Town Hall and are open to the public starting at 7:30 PM.

In 2004 there were two minor subdivision approvals; two boundary line adjustments; three site plan updates and one site plan approval.

We would like to remind residents that regulations listing the necessary steps and applicable ordinances for subdivision or site plan review are available in the Selectmen's Office; also if a resident is planning any changes or construction on any land in town a call to the Zoning Administrator or Building inspector would be wise. This is the best way to find out if any necessary permits or processes are needed.

Members:

| | |
|---|---|
| Laurent Bressett, Co-Chair | James Ashworth |
| Linn Starkey, Co-Chair | Jeff Ingram |
| Laurie Burt, Secretary | Alan Johnson |
| Elaine Moore, Selectman | Walter Derjue, Alt. |

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Activities in 2004

In 2004 the Zoning Board of Adjustment had four (4) requests for Variances, including one which was pending from 2003. Two of the requests were granted and two were denied. It also had one (1) request for a Special Exception, which was granted. Two requests for Rehearings were received. One was heard and granted; the other is still pending.

All applications for Zoning Board of Adjustment hearings for Special Exceptions and Variances originate with the Zoning Administrator, R. Bruce Smith. Hearings are usually held the second Tuesday of each month, as necessary. Completed Zoning Hearing Applications must be in the hands of the Zoning Clerk, Helen Draper at least fourteen (14) days prior to hearing date to allow time for notification of abutters and the general public.

Zoning Hearing Applications consist of five (5) different components: the denied Zoning Permit Application from the Zoning Administrator, Application for Hearing Appeal available in the Selectmen's office, a diagram showing current condition of property and proposed changes, a list of abutters with current addresses, and the filing fee. The filing fee for a zoning hearing is $55.00, plus $4.00 for each abutter payable to the Town of Westmoreland.

Zoning Board members during 2003: Peter Remy, Chairman, Brenda Shelley, Brian Merry, John Burt, and Barry Shonbeck. Alternates Russell Huntley and April Ferguson.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Draper, Clerk

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permits issued for the year ending December 31, 2004

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| One Family Dwelling | 9 | Additions | 2 | Remodeling | 7 |
| Barns | 5 | Garages | 7 | Sheds | 11 |
| Commercial | 5 | Decks | 5 | Porches | 1 |
| Swimming Pools | 1 | | | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Linn Starkey, Jr.

# TRANSFER STATION REPORT – 2004

| Item Description | # of Hauls | Total Tons | Total Cost |
|---|---|---|---|
| Compactor | 38 | 338.45 | $36,052.75 |
| Demo (30 yard) | 27 | 70.95 | 6,541.70 |
| Co-mingle (30 yard) | 32 | 60.34 | 3,200.00 |
| Cardboard (30 yard) | 7 | 15.98 | 700.00 |
| Paper (30 yard) | 4 | 48.75 | 400.00 |
| Tires (30 yard) | 1 | 2.33 | 100.00 |
| TOTALS | 109 | 536.80 | $46,994.45 |

## WESTMORELAND HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

In 2004, the Highway Department resurfaced 8.5 miles of town road along with other regular Highway maintenance. We also paved sections of Hurricane, and Glebe Roads, replaced guardrails on Glebe Road, stone lined ditches on South Village and London Roads, and replaced culverts on Nims and London Crossroad. This takes care of all repairs resulting from the flooding of 2003, with the exception of Old Mill Brook Road bridge.

This year we replaced a 1994 International highway truck with a new 2005 Model International. This was the last vehicle in the fleet to be replaced. There should be no more major Equipment purchases for at least 6 years.

We also had a new employee start in January 2004. His name is Dave Poklemba. Dave brings a lot of knowledge with him in the construction field with him. He will be a big asset to the town.

We hope that you are all reasonably satisfied with the Departments performance, and thank for all of your support.

Gary Hudson – Road Agent

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

2004 calls for general police services have followed the typical pattern over the past few years. The majority of calls for service continue to revolve around animal complaints and motor vehicle related issues. Animal owners should make a conscious effort not to allow your animals to run astray or become a nuisance to your neighbors. Targeted motor vehicle enforcement will continue, as I have found it helps in areas where motor vehicle violations are a consistent problem.

I noticed a sharp increase in accidental and hang-up calls to 911 this year. Most often, young children are the callers. Please be aware that, for obvious safety reasons, a Police Officer will typically always respond to your home when 911 is called. The 911 system is reserved for emergencies only and accidental calls could distract Police, Fire, and/or Ambulance personnel from true emergencies. It is encouraged that you speak with children, and make personal efforts to minimize these incidents.

The numbers of major crimes in town remained low this year. There was decrease in reported incidents involving violence. There was also a decrease in the number of reported incidents involving serious property crimes.

As done in the past, we continue to rely on State Police to handle the majority of motor vehicle accidents and major crimes. The State Police have the personnel, emergency vehicles, and specialized equipment to better handle these situations. Troop C has offered their continued support to handle these matters in the town.

The Cheshire County Sheriff's Department is continuing to handle the dispatch function for all Police Departments in Cheshire County, except Keene. The number is 355-2000. If you have any non-emergency need for police services, this is the number you should call. As always, if you have a bone fide emergency of any kind, you should immediately call 911.

The statistics below do not reflect calls for service reported directly to the State Police or crimes reported and then determined to be unfounded.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Accidents | 36 | Domestic disturbance | 6 |
| Alarms | 19 | Noise Complaints | 7 |
| Harassment | 1 | Road Hazards | 17 |
| Animal | 15 | House Checks | 2 |
| Assault | 2 | Juvenile (other than arrests) | 5 |
| Assist other Depts. | 4 | Burglary | 1 |
| Criminal Mischief | 3 | Miscellaneous | 68 |
| Criminal Threatening | 0 | Motor Vehicle Complaints | 12 |
| Criminal Trespass | 5 | Sexual Assault (Felony) 1 | |
| Disorderly Conduct | 0 | Sexual Assault (Mis.) | 0 |
| Theft/Shoplifting | 9 | Suspicious Persons | 4 |
| 911 Hang-up Calls | 23 | Intoxicated Persons | 2 |

TOTAL CALLS: 242

James Cemorelis
Town Constable

## WESTMORELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
### Annual Report 2004

The Westmoreland Public Library was open 22 hours a week. Two paid staff members worked a total of 28 hours per week. The library was open for 152 days. The five members of the Board of Trustees met on the first Monday of each month. **Patron and Circulation Statistics**: This year marks the first year we have loaned out more items to other New Hampshire libraries than we borrowed for our patrons. This is due to the more efficient technology we have employed in uploading our holdings into the statewide NHU-PAC system. The State Library gives an award to a library with the greatest percentage of loaned to borrowed items. Including the 257 loaned and 251 borrowed items on interlibrary loan, our total circulation totaled 4656. Of the 4148 items circulated to our patrons from our library, 58% were fiction; 23% non-fiction; 4% audiotapes; 7% videos and 8 % magazines. 40 Large Print items circulated. Our updated records show more than 400 active patrons. There were 3066 patron visits. 26 new cards were issued; 43 reference questions researched, including visiting and correspondent genealogists; 225 patrons used our in-library services, including reading room, copier and computer. **Collection Development**: We purchased 234 adult and juvenile books, and 8 magazine subscriptions. Donated items included 85 books, 33 videos, 38 books on tape, 18 Music CDs, and 7 magazine and news subscriptions. We withdrew 209 books, sent out notices for 118 overdue materials, lost 6 books and replaced them. **Programs**: A total of 303 adults and 536 children attended our programs including Preschool Story Hour, Summer Program, Book Group, school visits and other special programs at the library. School visits included Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd and 5th grades. Our summer reading program focused on the theme "Check out a Hero." We scheduled a Wise Mine Tour, K-9 and police vehicle presentations, a sing-a-long, activities in book-making, T-shirt decorating, U.S. Postal Service history in stamps, and ended the program with a picnic of hero sandwiches. We shared in the costs of programs by Warren Rasmussen and Stephen Coronella at the Chesterfield Library, which many of our patrons attended. **Volunteers**: The library would not be able to keep up with the constant flow of circulation, acquisition, book sale and fund-raising, maintenance, and technical needs without the aid of our volunteers who recorded 470 hours of their time and labor this year. To recognize our volunteers, we sponsored a special program "American Nurse at War," presented by Stephen Hooper, based on the work of Marion McCune Rice in the First World War. **Outreach and Network:** Our association with the State Library and the Nubanusit Coop continue to assist us in our concerns for the future of small public libraries. Through the network of emails, librarians discuss topics such as collection development, policies, privacy act, holiday, benefits, salary scale, grant writing, and library workshops. Videos from the Coop collection and Large Print Books are on loan for 2-3 months. The assistant librarian attended a book-repair workshop.The librarian attended the Children's Literacy Foundation Annual Meeting, where Katherine Paterson was the keynote speaker. Illustrator John Gurney gave a presentation of his work to students at Westmoreland School, sponsored by CLiF. The Trustees and Staff wish to thank everyone for their continued support of our library services. It is a privilege to serve this community.

Respectfully, submitted, Maisie Crowther, Librarian

**Westmoreland Public Library**
**Statement of Activities**
**For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2004**

| **Cash Inflows** | **Operations** | **Memorial** | **Building** | **Total** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Town Appropraiations | 23,040.00 | | | 23,040.00 |
| Jotham Lord Fund | 12.44 | | | 12.44 |
| Trustee of Trust Funds | 142.37 | | | 142.37 |
| Book Sales & Fundraising | 893.28 | | | 893.28 |
| Contributions | 504.00 | 1,060.00 | 100.00 | 1,664.00 |
| Interest | 2.61 | | 75.11 | 77.72 |
| Other (copier, late fees) | 135.75 | | | 135.75 |
| **Total Cash Inflows** | 24,730.45 | 1,060.00 | 175.11 | 25,965.56 |
| **Cash Outflows** | | | | |
| Payroll | 16,161.78 | | | 16,161.78 |
| Books/Periodicals | 2,936.17 | 123.27 | | 3,059.44 |
| Supplies | 618.84 | | | 618.84 |
| Utilities (gas, electric, phone) | 3,439.94 | | | 3,439.94 |
| Postage & Box Rental | 170.91 | | | 170.91 |
| Computer Expenses | 323.38 | | | 323.38 |
| Equipment & Repairs | 168.30 | | | 168.30 |
| Mileage | 178.12 | | | 178.12 |
| Printing | 110.06 | | | 110.06 |
| Dues | 40.00 | | | 40.00 |
| Maintenance | 275.00 | | 338.97 | 613.97 |
| Miscellaneous | 30.00 | | | 30.00 |
| Program Expenses | 105.32 | | | 105.32 |
| **Total Cash Outflows** | 24,557.82 | 123.27 | 338.97 | 25,020.06 |
| **Net Cash from Operations** | 172.63 | 936.73 | -163.86 | 945.50 |
| **Balance 1/1/04** | 2,394.46 | 0.00 | 13,788.11 | 16,182.57 |
| **Net Cash from Operations** | 172.63 | 936.73 | -163.86 | 945.50 |
| **Balance 12/31/04** | 2,567.09 | 936.73 | 13,624.25 | 17,128.07 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Savings Bank of Walpole Checking Account Balance 12/31/04 | 3,603.82 |
| Edward Jones Investment Account Balance 12/31/04 | 13,524.25 |
| | 17,128.07 |

Briggs Fund Report

On December 21st, 2004 the staff and students at Westmoreland School had their annual holiday parties.

The interest from the Briggs, Bleeker and White Funds along with a donation from the Trustees were used to purchase stretchy animal bookmarks for the Kindergarten and small Dover activity, sticker or tattoo books for Grades 1 through 8.

We also want to extend our appreciation to Toadstool Bookstore for giving us a discount. The generosity of the Trustees and Toadstoll was very helpful in allowing us to carry out this tradition.

Thank you for the opportunity to carry out this tradition.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Leduc
Tina Fletcher

# 2004 REPORT OF THE WESTMORELAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

As charged by RSA 483-A, the Commission reviews wetland applications for local review in conjunction with the NH Wetlands Bureau. A wetlands application (forms available in the town office) is necessary for any activity that involves projects to excavate, remove, dredge, fill or construct a structure in any surface waters or wetlands of the state. NH RSA 36-A, provides a Conservation Commission with the basic purpose to identify, protect and conserve the land and water resources of their community

In addition to reviewing and responding to a number of wetland applications and inquiries, the Commission continues work on a Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) and has investigated a comprehensive NH method wetland evaluation to designate prime wetlands in town that might be in need of protection. The NRI will give an overview of the towns' natural resources including farm and forestland, wetland and soil information and some of the environmentally sensitive areas of the town. In addition to the preparation in prior years of digital maps and overlays of soils data, wetland and water resources, aquifers, floodplains, aerial photos, topographic and general land use maps prepared through SW Regional Planning, an updated digital zoning map was completed this year. A digital tax map along with a water resources property map was also prepared. All the maps and overlays are available at the town hall for use by selectmen, conservation commission, planning and zoning boards, residents and others.

Other issues the Commission has been involved in include citizen concerns of roadside disposal of fill material at several sites in town, farm land preservation in relation to a new county jail site, invasive plants at the County Farm, town website development, Connecticut River stream bank stabilization due to the 2003 floods, and revisiting development of a public boat launch primarily for canoes and kayaks.

Starting in 2005 the Commission will change its meeting time to the first Thursday of the month at the Town Hall. We are always looking for interested individuals help us with the tasks at hand. Feel free to contact any of the members with questions or concerns you may have about our work or environmental or conservation issues.

Marshall Patmos, Chairman 2/9/05
Jim Blake, Vice Chairman
Jeff Smith, Secretary
Bob Moore
John Lukin
Walt Derjue

## WESTMORELAND VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

The department responded to a total of 116 fire and rescue calls in 2004. These calls consumed over 500 person-hours. Along with fire and rescue calls, the department conducted and participated in over 300 hours of fire and rescue training.

The Westmoreland Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department active roster stands at 18 fire and rescue personnel, with 5 personnel being Emergency Medical Technician qualified. The department has welcomed 2 new members during the year and 3 members leave from the department.

The department placed a new fire engine in service thanks to the generosity of the people who approved the purchase at town meeting. This engine will provide the department with greater flexibility in responding to emergencies.

An addition was added to the fire department to house the newly purchased fire engine. The total cost of the new addition was paid for solely by the Firefighters Association and the generosity of businesses and friends of Westmoreland. The Association would like to thank: Jim Leroy and Panel Pro, Ted Ferguson and Ferguson Roofing, Perkins Lumber, David Wirth, Earle McClening, Bruce Davis and Cersosimo Industries, Ron Clace, Champion Overhead Doors, Westmoreland Highway Department, Terry Flood and the members of the Westmoreland Volunteer Fire/Rescue Department.

Besides responding to calls and conducting training, the department was also involved with numerous other activities. The department hosted the Forest Fire Warden's Association Dinner in May and sponsored the chicken barbecue in July. The department would like to thank the Westmoreland Town Band for once again providing the music at the chicken barbecue.

We would like to ask for help by putting your house numbers on either your house (if visible from the road), your mail box (both sides), or on a post at the end of your driveway. This will aid us in reaching your home in case of an emergency.

Any Westmoreland town resident wishing to become a member of the Westmoreland Fire and Rescue Department may join us on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. The members of the Westmoreland Volunteer Fire and Rescue would like to thank the citizens of Westmoreland for your outstanding support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Harry Nelson

## 2004 Fire & Rescue Calls

| Type | Number of Calls | Total Personnel Hours |
|---|---|---|
| Automatic Fire Alarms: | | |
| County Jail | 0 | 0.00 |
| Maplewood Nursing Home | 5 | 9.06 |
| Private Residence | 1 | 4.54 |
| Water Treatment Plant | 0 | 0:00 |
| School | 1 | 0.22 |
| Brush Fire | 3 | 52.46 |
| Car Fire | 3 | 15.42 |
| Chimney Fire | 1 | 8.00 |
| CO Detector | 1 | 1.10 |
| Downed Wires/Transformer | 10 | 13.27 |
| Dumpster Fire | 0 | 0:00 |
| Gas/Oil Leak | 0 | 0.00 |
| Good Intent/Smoke Investigation | 4 | 14.56 |
| Hazmat | 0 | 0:00 |
| Medical Emergencies: | | |
| County Jail | 0 | 0.00 |
| Maplewood Nursing Home | 5 | 10.14 |
| Other | 36 | 76.08 |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents | 23 | 135.24 |
| Mutual Aid | 7 | 106.36 |
| Public Assist | 4 | 12.24 |
| Structure Fires | 3 | 62.36 |
| Other | 9 | 18.37 |
| **Total** | **116** | **542.26** |

| Month | # Calls | Total Number of Calls |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
| Jan | 17 | 17 |
| Feb | 4 | 21 |
| Mar | 7 | 28 |
| Apr | 7 | 35 |
| May | 12 | 47 |
| Jun | 6 | 55 |
| Jul | 12 | 67 |
| Aug | 8 | 75 |
| Sep | 9 | 84 |
| Oct | 8 | 92 |
| Nov | 14 | 106 |
| Dec | 10 | 116 |

## WELFARE DEPARTMENT REPORT – 2004

There were two requests for assistance in 2004. Both were denied for various reasons. This department is here to give short term assistance to clients who are in need of assistance.

Some of the criteria looked at is:

1) How many adults and children are in the family
2) Ages of children
3) Are adults working – if not why
4) If out on medical leave a report from the doctor indicating no work must be given to this department.
5) Has the client/s reported to various agencies to help getting the client back into the workforce: i.e. – Social Security –unemployment department, Health and Human Services, filling out employment applications with various companies, etc.
6) Client must show receipts regarding how their income has been spent in the last two months. If there is a mismanagement of money the client must attend counseling in money management. If this is a criteria and the client does not attend counseling the client is denied assistance.

If a client does receive assistance and they own their own home a Lien is placed on the property. If a client does not own their own home, an agreement is made, and signed, that when the client becomes employed an amount will be taken out of their paycheck and sent directly to the Town of Westmoreland for reimbursement. This continues until the total due is paid in full. Most companies will agree to these terms and have been very helpful.

The Town of Westmoreland did received a little over $2,000 dollars reimbursement in 2004. The money received was for prior years assistance.

I look forward to another year as your Welfare Director.

Respectfully,

Elaine Moore
Westmoreland Welfare Director

# CEMETERY TRUSTEE REPORT

There were five cemetery lots sold in 2004. We continue to fix stones and plan to do roadwork in the North and East cemeteries in 2005.

Cemetery Trustees: Carlson Barrett, Don Hall & JoAnn LaBarre

2004 Financial Report
Cemetery Trustees
Savings Bank of Walpole
Savings Account #601-023218

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2004 | | | $6,791.37 |
| INCOME: | | | |
| | 2004 Town Appropriation | $6,000.00 | |
| | Trust Fund Interest - 2003 | $639.41 | |
| | Lot Sales | $1,200.00 | |
| | Interest | $44.12 | |
| | | | $7,883.53 |
| EXPENSES: | | | |
| | C&D Landscaping - mowing/clean-up | $5,775.00 | |
| | Westmoreland Trustees of Trust Funds | $600.00 | |
| | | | $6,375.00 |
| Ending Balance as of December 31, 2004 | | | $8,299.90 |

ANNUAL REPORT 2004
CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

This year the Connecticut River Joint Commissions have considered issues as wide-ranging as the future of hydro dam ownership and status of boating law enforcement on the river to economic development initiatives in the valley. Appointed by the legislatures of New Hampshire and Vermont to guide growth and development in the watershed, the CRJC are advisory and have no regulatory powers, preferring instead to ensure greater public involvement in decisions that affect the river region.

In 2004, the Commissions stimulated a water quality assessment of the entire 275 miles of river shared by New Hampshire and Vermont. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the Environmental Protection Agency led the study to bring reliable information to those using the river and planning for its future.

With the support of the four US Senators from NH and VT, the Commissions were able to provide $85,000 in Partnership Program grants for the locally-inspired projects, including grants for water quality monitoring in the Ashuelot River watershed, farmland conservation in Claremont, several river access and recreation projects, and natural resources inventories for Colebrook and for the Waits River headwaters.

CRJC supports efforts to safeguard natural, agricultural, and historic assets of the valley, and are working with businesses and the states to strengthen the local base for tourism through visitor centers in ten "waypoint communities" along the Connecticut River Byway. This year we won a federal grant to provide signage for each of them, and created a video about the river valley. "Welcome to the Heart of New England." CRJC provides coordination for the Byway effort. Visit the Byway at www.ctrivertravel.net

We welcome the public to our meetings on the last Monday of each month. Visit our web site at www.crjc.org for a calendar of meetings, useful information and links, and our newsletter, River Valley News.

Bruce Clement, Connecticut River Commissioner

ANNUAL REPORT – 2004
WANTASTIQUET REGION RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE
Connecticut River Joint Commissions

This year the Wantastiquet Subcommittee updated the Recreation chapter of our *Connecticut River Management Plan* with a close look at a variety of recreation-related issues in our region, especially at the need for more access for small boats. We helped stimulate a state study of water quality in the Connecticut River after discovering gaps in information on the safety of the river for swimming, fishing, and boating.

The Subcommittee continues to carry out our legal obligation to provide information and assistance to the states, towns, and local landowners on projects near the river, including advice to the State of New Hampshire on expansion of a marina in Hinsdale and to the River Commission about siting for the Cheshire County jail and the proposed upgrade of Vermont Yankee.

We encourage all towns in our region to review our current *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, and to incorporate its recommendations as they update town plans and revise their zoning ordinances, particularly for shoreland protection. Heavy rains can send sediment from land clearing and removal of riverside vegetation into tributaries, demonstrating the critical importance of giving rivers and streams enough room. All riverfront landowners should be aware that the statewide Shoreland Protection Act applies to the Connecticut River and Partridge Brook. Contact the town office for more information.

The Wantastiquet Region River Subcommittee is advisory and has no regulatory authority. The public is welcome to participate in our meetings, on the fourth Wednesday evening of every other month, usually at the Westmoreland Town Hall. More information, including a calendar, advice on bank erosion and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, and a summary of the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan* is on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

Stuart Adams, Jim Blake, and Gwen Mitchell, Westmoreland representatives

# TOWN OF WESTMORELAND
## Trustees of Trust Funds
## Annual Report - 2004

The Trustees met four times during the year to administer affairs of the trusts. Town Trust funds are invested in CDs which are held in an account with Edward Jones Company. Return in 2004 on Trust funds was 1.61%, significantly better than in 2003. The Trust fund CDs are laddered in maturity and we expect a further improvement in return in 2005. Capital Reserve funds continue to be invested in short-term bonds with the New Hampshire Public Deposit Pool. Return on Capital Reserve funds was 1.12% in 2004 compared with 0.97% in 2003. George Nitschelm has moved from Westmoreland but will continue to serve as a Trustee until his elected term is fulfilled or he is replaced. His fellow Trustees and the Town thank him for his conscientious and able service to the Town.

Trustees:
Patrick N. Baker
Russell Kotfila
George Nitschelm

## 2004 ADDITIONS

| Date | Trust Fund | Amount |
|---|---|---|
| 11-2-04 | South Village, Perp. Care | $100.00 |
| 12-1-04 | South Village, Perp. Care | $400.00 |
| 12-1-04 | North Cemetery Perp. Care | $100.00 |
| | | $100.00 |

| Date | Capital Reserve | Amount |
|---|---|---|
| 12-9-04 | Fire Truck | $5,000.00 |
| 12-9-04 | Highway Truck | $10,000.00 |
| | | $15,000.00 |

## 2004 DISBURSEMENTS

| Trust Fund Name | Paid to | Purpose | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| Acerno, M.J., Scholarship Fund | Transfer to Principal | Per Terms of Trust | $3.63 |
| Briggs, Bleeker & White Funds | T. Fletcher | School Christmas | $178.16 |
| Cemetary Trust Funds | Cemetery Trustees | Cemetery Maintainance | $639.41 |
| Jotham Lord Trust Fund | Town of Westmoreland | Town Needs | $12.44 |
| Library Trust Funds | Westmoreland Library | Support of Town Library | $142.37 |
| Lois Leach Graduates Fund | B. Messer | Graduates' Dinner | $51.23 |
| Starkey - Cobb Fund | J. LeBarre | Care of Aged & Needy | $47.69 |
| Thomas White Soccer Scholarship | T. Richard | Soccer Camp Scholarship | $260.00 |
| Union Meeting House | Union Meeting House | Support | $62.72 |
| Westmoreland Men's Club | Transfer to Principal | Per Terms of Trust | $3.02 |
| | | | $1,400.67 |

| Paid to | Capital Reserve Fund Name | Purpose | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| Westmoreland School | Special Ed./High School Tuitior | | $652.17 |
| | | | $652.17 |

| 2004 | | | How | PRINCIPAL | | | | INCOME | | | GRAND TOTAL | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TRUST FUNDS | Purpose | Date | Invested | 12/31/03 Balance | New Funds | 12/31/04 Balance | 12/31/03 Balance | Income 2004 | Expended 2004 | 12/31/04 Balance | 12/31/03 | 12/31/04 |
| Cemetery Trust Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Canoe Meadow | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | $301.52 | | 301.52 | 2.26 | 5.28 | 1.71 | 5.83 | 303.78 | 307.35 |
| Chaffee Cemetery | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 100.91 | | 100.91 | 107.15 | 1.77 | 1.17 | 107.75 | 208.06 | 208.66 |
| E.Cemetery Perp. Care. | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 7,920.38 | | 7,920.38 | 153.01 | 138.81 | 45.54 | 246.28 | 8,073.39 | 8,166.66 |
| Gline Cemetery | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 5,095.58 | | 5,095.58 | 2,171.20 | 89.30 | 40.99 | 2219.51 | 7,266.78 | 7,315.09 |
| North Cemetery, Gen. Upkeep | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 12,825.91 | | 12,825.91 | 68.70 | 224.78 | 72.74 | 220.74 | 12,894.61 | 13,046.65 |
| North Cemetery, Perpetual Care | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 14,732.53 | 100.00 | 14,832.53 | 280.99 | 258.20 | 84.69 | 454.5 | 15,013.52 | 15,287.03 |
| Outlying Cemeteries, (Cole) | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 502.91 | | 502.91 | 541.80 | 8.81 | 5.89 | 544.72 | 1,044.71 | 1,047.63 |
| Pratt Cemetery | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 301.48 | | 301.48 | 2.26 | 5.28 | 1.71 | 5.83 | 303.74 | 307.31 |
| S.Village Cemetery, M. & I. | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 11,356.72 | | 11,356.72 | 70.26 | 199.03 | 64.46 | 204.83 | 11,426.98 | 11,561.55 |
| S. Village Cemetery, Perp. Care. | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 17,189.56 | 500.00 | 17,689.56 | 269.33 | 301.26 | 98.49 | 472.1 | 17,458.89 | 18,161.66 |
| S. Village Cemetery, D. Blood | Cemetery | | EJ - CDs | 33,483.73 | | 33,483.73 | 5,872.46 | 586.82 | 222.01 | 6237.27 | 39,356.19 | 39,721.00 |
| Total Cemetery | | | | 103,811.23 | 600.00 | 104,411.23 | 9,539.42 | 1,819.34 | 639.41 | 10719.37 | 113,350.65 | 115,130.60 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Library Trust Funds | | | EJ - CDs | 22,849.19 | | 22,849.19 | 142.37 | 400.45 | 142.37 | 400.45 | 22,991.56 | 23,249.64 |
| Union Meeting House Trust Funds | | | EJ - CDs | 2,934.46 | | 2,934.46 | 62.72 | 51.43 | 62.72 | 51.43 | 2,997.18 | 2,985.89 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Trust Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Starkey Cobb | Town Aged & Needy | 1935 | EJ - CDs | 7,647.87 | | 7,647.87 | 47.69 | 134.03 | 47.69 | 134.03 | 7,695.56 | 7,781.90 |
| Lord, Jotham | Town Vote | 1816 | EJ - CDs | 2,010.09 | | 2,010.09 | 12.44 | 35.23 | 12.44 | 35.23 | 2,022.53 | 2,045.32 |
| Men's Club Mem. | Historical Society | 1982 | EJ - CDs | 3,675.85 | 3.02 | 3,678.87 | 1,284.77 | 64.42 | | 1349.19 | 4,960.62 | 5,028.06 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School Trust Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Acerrno Scholarship Fund | Scholarship | 1994 | EJ - CDs | 5,867.04 | 3.63 | 5,870.67 | 40.10 | 102.82 | | 142.92 | 5,907.14 | 6,013.59 |
| Bleeker | Children's Christmas | 1985 | EJ - CDs | 502.49 | | 502.49 | 2.66 | 8.81 | 2.66 | 8.81 | 505.15 | 511.30 |
| Bragg, Pearl Lucile | Health/School | 1954 | EJ - CDs | 9,104.19 | | 9,104.19 | 56.85 | 159.56 | | 216.41 | 9,161.04 | 9,320.60 |
| Briggs, O.L. | Children's Christmas | 1918 | EJ - CDs | 1,004.52 | | 1,004.52 | 6.42 | 17.60 | 6.42 | 17.6 | 1,010.94 | 1,022.12 |
| Cutter, Susan H. | Grammar Award | 1990 | EJ - CDs | 508.47 | | 508.47 | 170.18 | 8.91 | | 179.09 | 678.65 | 687.56 |
| Esty, Henry | School Support | 1889 | EJ - CDs | 905.33 | | 905.33 | 115.23 | 15.87 | | 131.1 | 1,020.56 | 1,036.43 |
| Fox, Elephalet | School Support | 1817 | EJ - CDs | 1,004.84 | | 1,004.84 | 128.59 | 17.61 | | 146.2 | 1,133.43 | 1,151.04 |
| Leach, Lois | Graduate's Banquet | 1976 | EJ - CDs | 2,533.12 | | 2,533.12 | 51.53 | 44.39 | 51.23 | 44.69 | 2,584.65 | 2,577.81 |
| Town Literary | School Support | 1829 | EJ - CDs | 1,781.58 | | 1,781.58 | 232.71 | 31.22 | | 263.93 | 2,014.29 | 2,045.51 |
| White, Ruth A. | Children's Christmas | 1991 | EJ - CDs | 3,050.84 | | 3,050.84 | 169.08 | 53.47 | 169.08 | 53.47 | 3,219.92 | 3,104.31 |
| White, Thomas | Soccer Scholarship | 1985 | EJ - CDs | 2,989.63 | | 2,989.63 | 711.83 | 52.40 | 260.00 | 504.23 | 3,701.46 | 3,493.86 |
| Total School Funds | | | | 29,252.05 | 3.63 | 29,255.68 | 1,685.18 | 512.66 | 489.39 | 1,708.45 | 30,937.23 | 30,964.13 |
| Petty Cash | | | | | | | 38.50 | | 38.50 | | 38.50 | |
| Total Trust Funds | | | | 172,180.74 | 606.65 | 172,787.39 | 12,813.09 | 3,017.56 | 1,432.52 | 14,398.15 | 184,993.83 | 187,185.54 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS | | | PDIP# | | | | | | | | | |
| Bridge Rebuilding | Bridge Rebuilding | 2002 | 0035 | 10,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 85.21 | 103.38 | | 188.59 | 10,085.21 | 15,188.59 |
| Fire Truck | Fire Truck | 1968 | 0004 | | | | 523.11 | 5.12 | | 528.23 | 523.11 | 528.23 |
| Highway Truck | Highway Truck | 1968 | 0006 | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 20,000.00 | 981.88 | 115.73 | | 1,097.61 | 10,981.88 | 21,097.61 |
| Landfill Closure | Landfill Closure | 2003 | 0036 | 24,687.00 | 13,223.00 | 37,910.00 | 772.68 | 376.98 | 652.17 | 497.49 | 25,459.68 | 38,407.49 |
| Police Cruiser | Police Cruiser | 1998 | 0033 | 1,723.81 | | 1,723.81 | 106.30 | 17.90 | | 124.20 | 1,830.11 | 1,848.01 |
| Recreation Fund | Recreation Fund | 2001 | 0019 | 7,000.00 | | 7,000.00 | 901.26 | 78.16 | | 979.42 | 7,901.26 | 7,979.42 |
| School Renovation | School Renovation | 2002 | 0034 | 10,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 134.31 | 148.35 | | 282.66 | 10,134.31 | 15,282.66 |
| SPED/HS Tuition | SPED/HS Tuition | 1996 | 0007 | 20,000.00 | | 20,000.00 | 169.00 | 199.42 | | 368.42 | 20,169.00 | 20,368.42 |
| Town Revaluation | Town Revaluation | 1993 | 0005 | 50,000.00 | | 50,000.00 | 8.04 | 494.40 | | 502.44 | 50,008.04 | 50,502.44 |
| Total Capital Reserve Funds | | | | 133,410.81 | 33,223.00 | 166,633.81 | 3,681.79 | 1,539.44 | 652.17 | 4,569.06 | 137,092.60 | 171,202.87 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 18,223.00 | |
| TOTAL ALL FUNDS | | | | 305,591.55 | 33,829.65 | 339,421.20 | 16,494.88 | 4,557.00 | 2,084.69 | 18,967.21 | 340,309.43 | 358,388.41 |

## *2004 WESTMORELAND RESIDENT DEATHS AT MAPLEWOOD*

| *Date of Death* | *Name* | *Father's Name* | *Mother's Name* |
|---|---|---|---|
| *01/02/04* | *Gordon Davis* | *George Davis* | *Mavier Porter* |
| *02/14/04* | *Mary Lizotte* | *Andrew Amter* | *Veronica (Unknown)* |
| *02/29/04* | *Mary Booker* | *Asa Booker* | *Emma Brown* |
| *04/06/04* | *Elaine Hepburn* | *Frederick Sullivan* | *Lillian Cromack* |
| *05/14/04* | *Ruth Williamson* | *Alson Dugan* | *Grace Eels* |
| *05/31/04* | *George Gaal* | *Bela Gaal* | *Theresia Lukaczy* |
| *06/24/04* | *Evelyn Burns* | *Burt Foster* | *Josephine Trow* |
| *08/21/04* | *Dorothy David* | *Willaim Gueris* | *Sarah Hamlin* |
| *09/09/04* | *George O'Donnell* | *George O'Donnell* | *Madeline Pease* |
| *09/16/04* | *Elizabeth Minickiello* | *Ruric Jordan* | *Alice Owen* |
| *09/19/04* | *Ernest Merrifield* | *Jacob Merrifield* | *Myrtle Greenwald* |
| *10/06/04* | *Anna Salo* | *John Sargeant* | *Elyse Elliott* |
| *10/06/04* | *Gaylord Price* | *Ordie Price* | *Pearl Allen* |
| *11/21/04* | *Ellen Hosmer* | *Frank Whipple* | *Jennie Norton* |
| *11/23/04* | *Gray Taylor* | *Charles Taylor* | *Luella Hastings* |

## *2004 WESTMORELAND RESIDENT DEATHS OUT OF TOWN*

| *Date of Death* | *Place of Death* | *Name* | *Father's Name/ Mother's Name* |
|---|---|---|---|
| *01/26/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Arthur Ainsworth* | *Harry Ainsworth*<br>*Mildred (Unknown)* |
| *07/10/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Benjamin Leech* | *Ian Leech*<br>*Sally Hatt* |
| *11/20/04* | *Keene, NH* | *William Stacy* | *William Stacy*<br>*Ethel Moulprop* |

## *2004 WESTMORELAND RESIDENT DEATHS IN TOWN*

*(Not Maplewood)*

| *Date of Death* | *Place of Death* | *Name* | *Father's Name/ Mother's Name* |
|---|---|---|---|
| *01/16/04* | *26 River Road* | *Janet Richards* | *John Vinton*<br>*Florence Stevens* |
| *03/19/04* | *1119 Route 63* | *Donald E. Ray* | *Osborne Ray*<br>*Mary Kabersevic* |
| *03/23/04* | *1116 Route 63* | *Walter Schumann* | *Walter Schumann*<br>*Margarete Hinricks* |
| *05/16/04* | *125 Poocham Road* | *Greig S. McManus* | *Michael McManus*<br>*Helen Hunt* |
| *10/02/04* | *936 Route 63* | *Coral (Voss) Stewart* | *Carl Kneeland*<br>*Grace O'Harra* |
| *10/31/04* | *201 River Road* | *Pauline Thompson* | *Harold Holbrook*<br>*Florence Willis* |
| *11/02/04* | *4 River Road* | *John Reid* | *John Reid*<br>*Elsa Anderson* |

# 2004 WESTMORELAND BURIALS

| Burial Date | Name | Date of Death | Place of Death | Place of Burial |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04-10-04 | Jason R. Graves | 04-06-04 | Lebanon, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 04-23-04 | Leon Earl McClening | 01-10-04 | Portsmouth, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 04-30-04 | Joseph A. Simino | 04-26-04 | Lebanon, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 05-03-04 | Dorothy R. Rhodes | 04-27-04 | Dover, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 05-17-04 | Janet V. Richards | 01-16-04 | Westmoreland, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 05-20-04 | Laurel Perry Smith | 12-09-02 | New Castle, DE | South Village Cemetery |
| 07-16-04 | Benjamin D. Leech | 07-10-04 | Keene, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 09-16-04 | Eleanor Mary Pierce | 09-09-04 | Portland, CT | South Village Cemetery |
| 10-07-04 | Coral Jane Voss Stewart | 10-02-04 | Westmoreland, NH | North Cemetery |
| 10-12-04 | Audrey V. Murphy | 10-10-04 | Keene, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 11-06-04 | John A. Reid | 11-02-04 | Westmoreland, NH | North Cemetery |
| 11-06-04 | Pauline B. Thompson | 10-31-04 | Westmoreland, NH | East Cemetery |
| 11-13-04 | Oscar John Makinen | 11-09-04 | Keene, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 11-24-04 | Robert E. Green | 11-17-04 | Westmoreland, NH | South Village Cemetery |
| 11-30-04 | Gloria Dot Crowder | 11-26-04 | Lebanon, NH | South Village Cemetery |

## *TOWN OF WESTMORELAND MARRIAGES IN 2004*

| *Names of Groom and Bride* | *Residences* | *Date of Marriage* | *Place of Marriage* |
|---|---|---|---|
| *James M. Morris* | *Westmoreland, NH* | | |
| *Jeannette L. Duhaime* | *Westmoreland, NH* | *02/14/04* | *Keene, NH* |
| *Greig S. McManus* | *Westmoreland, NH* | | |
| *Diane S. Champion* | *Westmoreland, NH* | *04/02/04* | *Westmoreland, NH* |
| *Reginald L. Goodnow* | *Westmoreland, NH* | | |
| *Shannon L. Driscoll* | *Westmoreland, NH* | *04/25/04* | *Westmoreland, NH* |
| *David A. Smith* | *Westmoreland, NH* | | |
| *Marisa L. Gagne* | *Westmoreland, NH* | *06/26/04* | *Keene, NH* |
| *Douglas S. Shoukimas* | *Westmoreland, NH* | | |
| *Jeanne H. Blanchette* | *Westmoreland, NH* | *07/06/04* | *Gettysburg, PA* |
| *Craig A. Day* | *Walpole, NH* | | |
| *Jamie D. Cheever* | *Walpole, NH* | *08/07/04* | *Westmoreland, NH* |
| *John R. Picard* | *Westmoreland, NH* | | |
| *Lindseigh M. Marrone* | *Wetmoreland, NH* | *09/18/04* | *Keene, NH* |

## *TOWN OF WESTMORELAND BIRTHS IN 2004*

| *Date* | *Place* | *Baby's Name* | *Mother's Name* | *Father's Name* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *01/05/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Emilia Jayden Fitzherbert* | *Kristina Gomarlo* | *Thomas Fitzherbert* |
| *02/06/04* | *Brattleboro, VT* | *Tess Lauretta Chamberlin* | *Kristen Chamberlin* | *David Chamberlin* |
| *03/09/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Thalia Ann Stafford* | *Stephanie E. Kazizis* | *Seth Stafford* |
| *04/08/04* | *Brattleboro, VT* | *Marisa Lee Stetson* | *Diana Bressett* | *Zachary Stetson* |
| *05/02/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Ian Henry Bergeron* | *Linda Groiss* | *John Bergeron* |
| *06/14/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Lauren Marie Fabis* | *Karen Mueller* | *Paul Fabis* |
| *06/23/04* | *Peterborough,NH* | *Hayden Scott Gourley* | *Jill Lorette* | *Scott Gourley* |
| *06/24/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Jessica Jay Shapiro* | *Laurie Hull* | *Andrew Shapiro* |
| *07/22/04* | *Lebanon, NH* | *Sirena Ailene Willette* | *Diane Hall* | *Alfred Willette* |
| *07/22/04* | *Lebanon, NH* | *Kaelyn Jean Willette* | *Diane Hall* | *Alfred Willette* |
| *08/24/04* | *Keene, NH* | *Macey Parker Webber* | *Kelly Lyn Wright* | *Eric Webber* |
| *10/25/04* | *Peterborough,NH* | *Carina Mary Walter* | *Marni Walter* | *Randall Walter* |
| *11/23/04* | *Peterborough,NH* | *Elizabeth Michele Pride* | *Christine Magraw* | *Bruce Pride* |

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

*Michael J. Acerno, Jr., Chair*
*Stuart R. Adams*
*Florence K. Gray*
*Ian Hurley*
*Lisa G. Moon*

MODERATOR

*Carlson Barrett*

CLERK

*Gail H. Ainsworth*

TREASURER

*Susan DeLuca*

AUDITOR

*Jo Ann LaBarre*

N.H. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION

*Barbara S. Tremblay, Superintendent of Schools*
*Wayne E. Woolridge, Assistant Superintendent of Schools*
*William V. Wheeler, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent of Schools*
*John R. Harper, Business Administrator*
*Timothy L. Ruehr, Business Manager for Towns*
*Patricia Trow Parent, Manager of Personnel Services*
*Bruce Thielen, Director of Special Education*
*Michael Duhaime, Director of Technology Services*

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**
as of January, 2005

| | |
|---|---|
| Kindergarten | 15 |
| Grade 1 | 11 |
| Grade 2 | 17 |
| Grade 3 | 12 |
| Grade 4 | 12 |
| Grade 5 | 14 |
| Grade 6 | 20 |
| Grade 7 | 14 |
| Grade 8 | 14 |
| **TOTAL** | **129** |

# COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

This school district receives federal financial assistance. In order to continue receiving such federal financial assistance, this school district will not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age, or handicapping condition, under the provisions of Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Complaints regarding compliance with Title IX regulations should be submitted in writing to the Title IX liaison for School Administrative Unit 29, the Personnel Manager, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Education, 34 West Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

*Barbara S. Tremblay*
Superintendent of Schools

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# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland School Gymnasium in said district on the 11th day of March, 2005, at 7:00 O'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Westmoreland School Board and the Westmoreland Teachers' Association which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits: $29,330 in 2005-2006; $24,784 in 2006-2007; $21,229 in 2007-2008; and $23,254 in 2008-2009.

And, further, to raise and appropriate the sum of $29,330 for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. *(The Westmoreland School Board and Budget Committee support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the District, if Article 3 is defeated, will authorize the Westmoreland School Board to call one special district meeting, at its option, to address Article 3 on cost items only.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Westmoreland School Board and Budget Committee support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,463 to be deposited in the Special Education/High School Tuition Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of paying future year unanticipated special education and/or high school tuitions, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Westmoreland School Board and Budget Committee support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

**ARTICLE 7:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

WESTMORELAND SCHOOL BOARD
*Michael J. Acerno, Jr., Chair*
*Stuart R. Adams*
*Florence K. Gray*
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# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

# SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland Town Hall in said District on the 8th day of March, 2005, at 11:00 in the forenoon to act upon the following article. Polls will open at 11:00 a.m. and will close no later than the time of closing the polls for the election of town officials.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary school district officers:

Two members of the school board for the ensuing three years
A moderator for the ensuing year
A clerk for the ensuing year
A treasurer for the ensuing year from July 1, 2005
An auditor for the ensuing year

WESTMORELAND SCHOOL BOARD
*Michael J. Acerno, Jr., Chair*
*Stuart R. Adams*
*Florence K. Gray*
*Ian Hurley*
*Lisa G. Moon*

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**
**PROPOSED 2004-2005 BUDGET (SUMMARY)**

| | BUDGET 2002-2003 | ACTUAL 2002-2003 | BUDGET 2003-2004 | PROPOSED 2004-2005 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ELEMENTARY REGULAR INSTRUCTIO | $1,313,591 | $1,252,203 | $1,373,680 | $1,358,984 | -1.07% | 51.44% |
| ELEMENTARY DEBT SERVICE | $65,829 | $65,828 | $62,735 | $59,641 | -4.93% | 2.26% |
| ELEMENTARY SPECIAL INSTRUCTION | $204,114 | $279,291 | $236,078 | $229,648 | -2.72% | 8.69% |
| TOTAL ELEMENTARY COST | $1,583,534 | $1,597,322 | $1,672,493 | $1,648,273 | -1.45% | 62.39% |
| | | ($186,990) | | | | |
| HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS (Regular Education students) | $543,456 | $554,554 | $623,376 | $575,029 | -7.76% | 21.77% |
| HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORT.(Reg) | $38,049 | $31,404 | $39,190 | $40,366 | 3.00% | 1.53% |
| HIGH SCHOOL SPEC. INSTRUC. | $301,520 | $261,164 | $273,906 | $247,008 | -9.82% | 9.35% |
| HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORT.(Sp) | $28,745 | $7,691 | $23,000 | $9,450 | -58.91% | 0.36% |
| TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL COST | $911,770 | $854,813 | $959,472 | $871,853 | -9.13% | 33.00% |
| SAU #29 | $109,125 | $109,125 | $115,689 | $121,634 | 5.14% | 4.60% |
| TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET | $2,604,429 | $2,561,260 | $2,747,654 | $2,641,760 | -3.85% | 100.00% |
| DEFICIT APPROPRIATION | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | | |
| **TOTAL** | **$2,604,429** | **$2,561,260** | **$2,747,654** | **$2,641,760** | **-3.85%** | **100.00%** |

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**
**PROPOSED 2004-2005 BUDGET (SUMMARY)**

| | BUDGET 2003-2004 | ACTUAL 2003-2004 | BUDGET 2004-2005 | PROPOSED 2005-2006 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION (GRADES K-8 - 130 Students Projected) | | | | | | |
| REGULAR INSTRUCTION | | | | | | |
| Salaries | $505,202 | $505,037 | $520,861 | $497,725 | | |
| Benefits | $189,689 | $178,924 | $207,735 | $194,693 | | |
| Purchased Instructional Service | $0 | $0 | $0 | $15,000 | | |
| Repair Equipment | $1,500 | $1,037 | $1,500 | $1,500 | | |
| Supplies/Workbooks/Textbooks | $28,201 | $23,875 | $26,259 | $26,964 | | |
| Equipment | $1,300 | $496 | $200 | $200 | | |
| Furniture | $1,625 | $1,267 | $1,212 | $1,895 | | |
| TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION | $727,517 | $710,636 | $757,767 | $737,977 | -2.61% | 27.94% |
| EXTRACURRICULAR | | | | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | $11,419 | $12,727 | $11,419 | $11,809 | | |
| Assemblies/Officials | $5,400 | $3,505 | $5,450 | $5,450 | | |
| Supplies/Awards/Misc. | $4,626 | $4,054 | $2,158 | $2,445 | | |
| Dues and Fees | $1,600 | $1,299 | $1,800 | $1,275 | | |
| TOTAL EXTRACURRICULAR | $23,045 | $21,585 | $20,827 | $20,979 | 0.73% | 0.79% |
| SCHOOL SERVICES | | | | | | |
| Attendance | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | | |
| Guidance | $50,631 | $42,149 | $50,874 | $51,918 | | |
| Health | $23,534 | $31,919 | $32,620 | $33,265 | | |
| TOTAL SCHOOL SERVICES | $74,165 | $74,068 | $83,494 | $85,183 | 2.02% | 3.22% |

| | BUDGET 2003-2004 | ACTUAL 2003-2004 | BUDGET 2004-2005 | PROPOSED 2005-2006 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| STAFF DEVELOPMENT | | | | | | |
| Continuum Salaries/Benefits | $3,220 | $1,497 | $5,544 | $5,050 | | |
| Course Reimbursement | $5,500 | $775 | $5,500 | $5,500 | | |
| Management Development | $1,000 | $509 | $2,000 | $2,000 | | |
| Staff Development | $2,400 | $2,322 | $2,520 | $3,000 | | |
| Professional Books/Periodicals | $899 | $872 | $799 | $799 | | |
| TOTAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT | $13,019 | $5,975 | $16,363 | $16,349 | -0.09% | 0.62% |
| EDUCATIONAL MEDIA | | | | | | |
| Salary & Benefits | $36,977 | $36,037 | $38,194 | $38,979 | | |
| Media Membership | $918 | $828 | $756 | $780 | | |
| Library Books & Supplies | $5,990 | $2,088 | $4,585 | $4,645 | | |
| Equipment/Software | $1,750 | $208 | $1,750 | $1,750 | | |
| TOTAL EDUCATIONAL MEDIA | $45,635 | $39,161 | $45,285 | $46,154 | 1.92% | 1.75% |
| SCHOOL BOARD/DISTRICT OFFICERS | | | | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | $2,520 | $2,218 | $2,891 | $2,891 | | |
| Legal/Audit Services | $900 | $18,723 | $5,900 | $1,400 | | |
| Other School District Expenses | $800 | $734 | $800 | $800 | | |
| School Board Association | $2,350 | $2,376 | $2,500 | $2,500 | | |
| TOTAL SCH. BD./DIST. OFFICERS | $6,570 | $24,051 | $12,091 | $7,591 | -37.22% | 0.29% |

| | BUDGET 2003-2004 | ACTUAL 2003-2004 | BUDGET 2004-2005 | PROPOSED 2005-2006 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION | | | | | | |
| Principal's Salary | $62,610 | $62,610 | $65,741 | $69,028 | | |
| Secretary's Salary | $20,250 | $19,154 | $21,263 | $22,334 | | |
| Benefits | $23,268 | $23,360 | $25,024 | $27,184 | | |
| Copier Maintenance | $3,800 | $6,074 | $4,250 | $5,704 | | |
| Telephone | $4,536 | $5,964 | $4,536 | $9,600 | | |
| Postage/Printing | $2,462 | $825 | $1,712 | $1,350 | | |
| Supplies/Misc. | $2,747 | $1,364 | $2,770 | $2,816 | | |
| Software | $1,055 | $958 | $1,045 | $1,062 | | |
| Equipment/Furniture | $1,350 | $1,283 | $150 | $200 | | |
| Professional Dues | $825 | $625 | $900 | $1,000 | | |
| TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION | $122,903 | $122,217 | $127,391 | $140,278 | 10.12% | 5.31% |
| BUILDING SERVICES | | | | | | |
| Salaries | $32,205 | $33,127 | $34,482 | $35,566 | | |
| Benefits | $10,064 | $10,936 | $10,752 | $11,516 | | |
| Rubbish Removal | $4,100 | $1,359 | $4,100 | $4,250 | | |
| Maintenance Services | $10,550 | $16,627 | $11,990 | $12,750 | | |
| Repairs to Building | $20,000 | $19,303 | $20,000 | $20,000 | | |
| Property/Liability Insurance | $7,500 | $6,934 | $7,500 | $7,000 | | |
| Supplies/Materials | $7,000 | $6,432 | $7,750 | $7,750 | | |
| Electricity | $13,895 | $13,994 | $13,895 | $14,450 | | |
| Oil/Gas | $13,037 | $10,432 | $14,287 | $21,225 | | |
| TOTAL BUILDING SERVICES | $118,351 | $119,144 | $124,756 | $134,507 | 7.82% | 5.09% |

| | BUDGET 2003-2004 | ACTUAL 2003-2004 | BUDGET 2004-2005 | PROPOSED 2005-2006 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ELEMENTARY TRANSPORTATION | | | | | | |
| Regular Elementary | $88,782 | $96,344 | $91,445 | $94,188 | | |
| Athletic | $2,079 | $2,612 | $2,141 | $2,205 | | |
| Field Trips | $3,132 | $2,796 | $3,226 | $3,323 | | |
| TOTAL ELEMENTARY TRANSPORT. | $93,993 | $101,752 | $96,812 | $99,716 | 3.00% | 3.77% |
| STAFF SERVICES | | | | | | |
| Criminal Record Check/ Staff Physicals | $170 | $73 | $250 | $250 | | |
| Unemployment | $0 | $13 | $0 | $0 | | |
| TOTAL STAFF SERVICES | $170 | $86 | $250 | $250 | 0.00% | 0.01% |
| FUND TRANSFERS | | | | | | |
| Transfer to Capital Reserve | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $0 | | |
| Transfer to Expendable Trust | $13,223 | $13,223 | $13,644 | $0 | | |
| Transfer to Federal Projects | $28,000 | $0 | $28,000 | $28,000 | | |
| Transfer to Food Services | $42,000 | $15,305 | $42,000 | $42,000 | | |
| TOTAL FUND TRANSFERS | $88,223 | $33,528 | $88,644 | $70,000 | -21.03% | 2.65% |
| SUBTOTAL (ELEM. INSTRUC.) | $1,313,591 | $1,252,203 | $1,373,680 | $1,358,984 | -1.07% | 51.44% |
| DEBT SERVICE | | | | | | |
| Principal | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | | |
| Bond Interest | $10,829 | $10,828 | $7,735 | $4,641 | | |
| Interest on Cat.Aid Borrowing | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | | |
| TOTAL DEBT SERVICE | $65,829 | $65,828 | $62,735 | $59,641 | -4.93% | 2.26% |
| SUBTOTAL (ELEM. INSTRUCTION PLUS DEBT SERVICE) | $1,379,420 | $1,318,031 | $1,436,415 | $1,418,625 | -1.24% | 53.70% |

| | BUDGET 2003-2004 | ACTUAL 2003-2004 | BUDGET 2004-2005 | PROPOSED 2005-2006 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ELEMENTARY SPECIAL INSTRUCTION | | | | | | |
| Salaries | $90,997 | $116,909 | $124,578 | $114,578 | | |
| Benefits | $25,314 | $29,380 | $33,140 | $34,432 | | |
| Vision/Audiology | $1,950 | $0 | $1,000 | $1,000 | | |
| Supplies/Equipment/Mileage | $2,145 | $954 | $1,425 | $1,679 | | |
| Elementary/MS Out-of-District Tuition | $18,358 | $57,951 | $15,905 | $16,799 | | |
| Pre-School Tuition | $2,100 | $4,897 | $3,480 | $3,480 | | |
| Tuition-Summer Programs (moved to salary | $3,500 | $245 | $0 | $0 | | |
| Psychology | $18,000 | $18,653 | $18,000 | $20,000 | | |
| Speech | $23,300 | $22,906 | $24,450 | $25,200 | | |
| OT/ PT | $8,450 | $7,995 | $8,100 | $6,300 | | |
| Elementary Special Transportation | $10,000 | $19,401 | $6,000 | $6,180 | | |
| TOTAL ELEM. SPEC. INSTRUCT. | $204,114 | $279,291 | $236,078 | $229,648 | -2.72% | 8.69% |
| TOTAL ELEMENTARY COST | $1,583,534 | $1,597,322 | $1,672,493 | $1,648,273 | -1.45% | 62.39% |
| **HIGH SCHOOL** | | | | | | |
| REGULAR INSTRUCTION TUITIONS | | | | | | |
| Keene High School<br>71 students @ $8,099 | $543,456 | $554,554 | $623,376 | $575,029 | | |
| TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS | $543,456 | $554,554 | $623,376 | $575,029 | -7.76% | 21.77% |

| | BUDGET 2003-2004 | ACTUAL 2003-2004 | BUDGET 2004-2005 | PROPOSED 2005-2006 | % CHANGE | % TOTAL BUDGET |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TRANSPORTATION | | | | | | |
| Regular - Keene High School | $38,049 | $31,404 | $39,190 | $40,366 | | |
| TOTAL REG. HS TRANSPORT. | $38,049 | $31,404 | $39,190 | $40,366 | 3.00% | 1.53% |
| SUBTOTAL (REG. HIGH SCHOOL) | $581,505 | $585,958 | $662,566 | $615,395 | -7.12% | 23.29% |
| SPECIAL INSTRUCTION | | | | | | |
| Keene High School Tuition (11 students @ $14,463) | $224,791 | $217,589 | $191,016 | $159,093 | -16.71% | 6.02% |
| Tutoring - High School | $0 | $0 | $10,164 | $6,237 | | |
| High School Out-of-District | $38,729 | $23,729 | $40,604 | $61,678 | | |
| Tuition - High School Collaborative (1 student - TNT program) | $38,000 | $16,526 | $32,122 | $20,000 | | |
| Psych Counseling | $0 | $3,320 | $0 | $0 | | |
| Special Instr. Transportation | $28,745 | $7,691 | $23,000 | $9,450 | | |
| TOTAL H.S. SPECIAL EDUCATION | $330,265 | $268,855 | $296,906 | $256,458 | -13.62% | 9.71% |
| TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL COSTS | $911,770 | $854,813 | $959,472 | $871,853 | -9.13% | 33.00% |
| ADMINISTRATION | | | | | | |
| SAU #29 - Westmoreland Share | $109,125 | $109,125 | $115,689 | $121,634 | 5.14% | 4.60% |
| TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET | $2,604,429 | $2,561,260 | $2,747,654 | $2,641,760 | -3.85% | 100.00% |
| PRIOR YEAR DEFICIT APPROP. | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | | 0.00% |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **$2,604,429** | **$2,561,260** | **$2,747,654** | **$2,641,760** | **-3.85%** | **100.00%** |

## WESTMORELAND
## 2004-2005 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET
## ESTIMATED REVENUES

| REVENUE ACCOUNTS | 2004-2005 BUDGET | 2005-2006 PROPOSED | % INCREASE | $ INCREASE |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Unreserved Fund Balance | $114,292 | $80,000 | | |
| **Local Property Taxes** | **$1,512,019** | **$1,434,282** | **-5.14%** | **-$77,737** |
| Interest | $4,000 | $4,000 | | |
| Lunch Local | $29,000 | $29,000 | | |
| Transport. Fees | $2,800 | $2,800 | | |
| Media Generalist Reimbursement | $8,487 | $8,662 | | |
| E-Rate Reimbursement | $1,000 | $3,450 | | |
| **N.H. Property Tax** | **$389,839** | **$410,501** | **5.30%** | **$20,662** |
| **N.H. Adequacy Grant** | **$617,212** | **$593,915** | **-3.77%** | **-$23,297** |
| N.H. Building Aid | $15,355 | $16,500 | | |
| N.H. Handicapped Aid | $0 | $5,000 | | |
| Net Change in Reimbursement Anticipation Borrowing | $0 | $0 | | |
| N.H. Child Nutrition | $2,000 | $2,000 | | |
| Medicaid Reimbursement | $12,650 | $12,650 | | |
| Federal Funds | $28,000 | $28,000 | | |
| Lunch - Federal | $11,000 | $11,000 | | |
| Supplemental Appropriations | $0 | $0 | | |
| **TOTALS** | **$2,747,654** | **$2,641,760** | **-3.85%** | **-$105,894** |

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|---|---|
| PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FROM PROPOSED BUDGET (Local and State School Tax) | -3.00% |
| TAX RATE INCREASE FROM PROPOSED BUDGET | -$0.3925 |
| TAX IMPACT ON HOUSE ASSESSED FOR $100,000 | -$39 |

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**
**For the**
**Fiscal Year July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004**

**Summary**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on Hand July 2003 | | 95,041.99 |
| Received from Selectmen | 1,710,134.00 | |
| Current Appropriation | | |
| Deficit Appropriation | | |
| Balance of Previous Appropriation's | | |
| Advance on Next Year's Appropriation | | |
| Revenue from State Sources | 738,254.91 | |
| Revenue from Federal Sources | | |
| Received from Tuitions | 5,000.00 | |
| Received as Income from Trust Funds | 141.04 | |
| Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds (Principal Only) | | |
| Received from Capital Reserve Fnds | | |
| Received from All Other Sources | 78,673.36 | |
| Total Receipts | | 2,532,203.31 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FRISCAL YEAR(Balance and Receipt | | 2,627,245.30 |
| LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID | | (2,615,971.91) |
| BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2004 (Treasurer's Bank Balance) | | 11,273.39 |

January 18, 2005

District Treasurer

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

**This is to certify that we have examined the books, voucher, bank statements, and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Westmoreland of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, And find them correct in all respects.**

January 26 **2005** **Auditor(s)**

**GIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS ON OTHER SIDE**

## DETAIL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

| DATE | FROM WHOM | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7/03-6/04 | Town of Westmoreland | Appropriation | 1,710,134.00 |
| | State of NH | Various | 738,254.91 |
| | Ocean National | Interest | 430.61 |
| | NHPDIP | Interest | 1,462.40 |
| | Westmoreland School | School Lunch | 31,778.85 |
| | Barbara Messer | Health Insurance | 6,678.72 |
| | Delano Transportation | Bus Tickets | 3,068.50 |
| | Miscellaneous | | 40,395.32 |
| | **TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING YEAR** | | 2,532,203.31 |

# WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
## MARCH 12, 2004

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters having met at the time and place mentioned in the warrant, the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Donald Hall, at 11:00 AM. The school warrant and Article 1 were read by the Moderator and after he declared the polls open, voting commenced. The polls were closed at 7:00 P.M. The ballots were then counted and the results of the elections are as follows:

For the District Moderator for the ensuing year:
Carlson Barrett – 15 votes and declared elected.

For One Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years:
Florence Gray – 194 votes and declared elected.

For School District Auditor for the ensuing one year:
Joanne LaBarre – 11 votes and declared elected.

For School District Treasurer for the ensuing one year:
Susan DeLuca – 284 votes and declared elected.

For School District Clerk for the ensuing one year:
Gail Ainsworth – 294 votes and declared elected.

323 voters of the registered 1008 voted.

The annual Westmoreland School District Meeting was called to order by Moderator Carlson Barrett on Friday, March 12, 2004, at 7:00 P.M. at the Westmoreland School. The Moderator reviewed the rules and procedure of acting upon one amendment before moving on to the next amendment.

Mr. Carlson Barrett introduced the administration from the S.A.U.: Dr. Phillip McCormack, Mr. Timothy Ruehr, Mr. Wayne Woolridge and the Westmoreland School Principal, Mr. William Gurney,

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or offices chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Motion by Mrs. Lisa Moon that the District receive the reports of the agents, auditors, committees, or offices chosen as printed in the annual report. Motion was seconded by Mr. Stuart Adams.

No discussion.

Article 1 passed by a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion by Robert Moore that the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,716,905 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Motion was seconded by Mr. Michael Acerno.

Motion by Mrs. Dawn Merrill to amend the article to read that the District raise and appropriate the sum of $2,729,010 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Motion was seconded by Georgiana Hamilton.

Mrs. Merrill stated the purpose of amending this article was to add in $12,105 so that the current guidance counselor position would be a full time position.

Mr. Michael Acerno stated that the School Board had the final decision in the spending of the $12,105 if it should be added back into the Budget.

Mrs. Pat Bentrup asked why the $12,105 was cut from the budget.

Mr. Michael Acerno explained that the School Board felt a cut needed to be made to the budget because of the declining number of students attending the school. He stated that within the next four years, with the decline going as it is, there would be approximately 112 students in the school.

Considerable discussion ensued.

The amendment passed by a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Dan LaFleur to amend the article to read that the District raise and appropriate the sum of $2,671,010 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim Beeler.

Mr. LaFleur stated that after viewing his Town Report and noticing that class sizes were declining that he felt it appropriate to decrease the budget by one full-time teacher. He asked if Mr. Ruehr if he could come up with an approximate wage and benefits of one full-time teacher to decrease this amount from the budget.

Mr. Ruehr stated it would be an approximate $58,000 decrease in the budget. He explained that to eliminate a teacher it would have to be brought to the union.

Considerable discussion ensued.

Mr. Jack Laurent presented Mr. Carlson Barrett with a 5 signature petition requesting a ballot vote.

Yes votes: 13. No votes: 62.

The amendment failed.

Motion by Dawn Merrill that the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,729,010 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District. Motion was seconded by Mr. Michael Acerno.

Article 2, as amended, passed by a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. (*The Westmoreland School Board and the Westmoreland Budget Committee support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

Motion by Mrs. Lisa Moon that the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. Motion seconded by Mr. Stuart Adams.

Article 3 passed by a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Forty-four dollars ($13,644) to be deposited in the Special Education/High School Tuition Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of paying future year unanticipated special education and/or high school tuitions or to take any other action in relation thereto. (*The Westmoreland School Board and the Westmoreland Budget Committee support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

Motion by Mrs. Lisa Moon that the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Forty-four dollars ($13,644) to be deposited in the Special Education/High School Tuition Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of paying future year unanticipated special education and/or high school tuitions or to take any other action in relation thereto. Motion seconded by Mrs. Flossie Gray.

No discussion.

Article 4 passed by a voice vote.

**ARTICLE 5:** To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Motion made by Mrs. Lisa Moon to transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Stuart Adams.

No discussion.

Article 5 passed by a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Michael Acerno and seconded by Mrs. Lisa Moon to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote.

*Gail Ainsworth, Clerk*
*Westmoreland School District*

A True Copy Attest

# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

This year marks the third anniversary of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation, a significant piece of federal legislation that has, and will continue to have a tremendous impact on Westmoreland School.

Student performance is the focus of NCLB. Although there are many ways in which this can be measured, NCLB relied on the statewide testing program (NHEIAP) in 2004 to provide the data by which schools are measured. This year, as in recent years, Westmoreland's students have performed very well on these tests. At the third grade level, 82 percent of the students scored at the "basic or better" level in English language arts. (Basic is the equivalent to "at grade level.") These students did similarly well in mathematics with 82 percent of the students scoring at the basic or better level. Sixth grade students also performed well with 86 percent of the students scoring at the basic or better level in English language arts and, in mathematics, with 93 percent of the students scoring at the basic or better level. In addition to scoring well according to state standards, scores earned by both the third and sixth graders place them well above federal expectations. The Westmoreland NHEIAP scores have shown marked improvement this year.

The assessments, required by Federal No Child Left Behind legislation, determine whether or not schools meet standards established by the state and federal governments, also known as Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). This past year, the Westmoreland staff has focused tremendous effort on interpreting the results of the assessments and identifying areas in the curriculum that are in need of strengthening.

A curriculum conference area was established on SAU 29's e-mail system in order to provide a centralized location for Westmoreland staff to access state and SAU 29 curriculum information. All Westmoreland curriculum committee work, state curriculum frameworks, curriculum guides, and information related to No Child Left Behind are now posted and accessible to all Westmoreland staff members. Information is reviewed and edited on a regular basis.

In 2003-2004, work on the Westmoreland social studies curriculum addressed the sequencing of topics for kindergarten through grade eight. The most significant work in social studies involved the creation of a new course sequence in United States history for grades seven and eight that is now being used in Westmoreland. The program engages students in a two-year exploration of American history from the European Age of Discovery to the 1920s. The primary focus of committee work involved the establishment of a content scope and sequence for grade seven and the selection of instructional materials and textbooks. While current attention has turned to grade eight content, consideration is also being given to the alignment of curriculum in grades five and six so as to create a more comprehensive, integrated sequence of content and address areas of the New Hampshire K-8 Social Studies Framework. Your principal was invaluable regarding this revision of the social studies curriculum.

In 2004, the New Hampshire Department of Education joined with its counterparts in Vermont and Rhode Island to create the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP). NECAP establishes criteria for the assessment of all Westmoreland students in grades three through eight in mathematics, reading, and writing as required by the federal government through No Child Left Behind legislation. During the summer of 2004, special curriculum committees composed of classroom teachers reviewed these new standards for assessment and school progress and rewrote curriculum documents so as to address these new Grade Level Expectations. The results of that committee work have been distributed to staff members and posted on the Curriculum Conference of the SAU 29 e-mail system. All Westmoreland students in grades three through eight will be annually tested on the Grade Level Expectations beginning in October of 2005.

Westmoreland's students at Keene High School also continue to perform well. This past year, Westmoreland had 95 students enrolled at the high school. These students are taking advantage of a wide range of academic, as well as co-curricular activities. Collectively, the overall grade point average (GPA) in mathematics, science, and world language for Westmoreland's students increased slightly from last year. In English, 67 percent of the students earned a grade of "B" or better. In mathematics, 51 percent earned grades of "B" or better. In science, 67 percent of the students earned grades of "B" or better. Students enrolled in honors or Advanced Placement classes also performed very well, with 100 percent of the students enrolled in Advanced Placement classes in English, math, science, or social studies, respectively, earning grades of "B" or better. The Westmoreland attendance rate at KHS was 95 percent compared to 94.4 percent for all KHS students.

Westmoreland has a tremendous level of parental involvement and support, which research shows is critical to student success and overall school quality. A strong PTA presence and high volunteerism are characteristics of Westmoreland School. These factors contribute to a very positive school environment and strong community ownership in, and support for, the school. Westmoreland teachers have continued their efforts to ensure that the children are offered a well-coordinated and challenging curriculum. The work that went into the implementation of the reading program is an example of this effort. Many have worked hard to broaden their subject area background and/or their skills to meet the needs of each child and to enhance their effectiveness as a teacher. This has come as a result of their involvement in quality professional development training in areas such as skillful teaching techniques, curriculum mapping, technology integration, teaching in the content area (reading, social studies), and the needs of disabled students.

The constructive working relationship between the school board and staff continues to promote continuous school improvement. This is facilitated by good communication between the staff and board and by board members' recognition of, and interaction with, the staff. One example of this is the annual school board/staff goal-setting retreat. This activity not only produces a focus around which planning and allocation of resources occurs, but also a dynamic of cooperation and trust.

The Westmoreland School community should be very proud of its school. The improvement that has occurred should not be taken for granted, nor should the strong support given to the school by the community. Continuation of this improvement is highly contingent upon open lines of communication between the home and school and a good understanding of what goes on in the schools. Please make the time to visit the school, to attend a school-related activity, or attend a school board meeting. Please be sure to attend the annual district meeting on Friday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m.

*Barbara S. Tremblay*
*Superintendent of Schools*

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We are enjoying a very good year at Westmoreland School. This fall, we welcomed 17 new kindergarten students to begin our third official year of all day kindergarten.

As of January 7, 2005, our enrollment is 129 students and our class sizes are:

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| K - 16 | 3 - 12 | 6 - 20 |
| 1 - 11 | 4 - 12 | 7 - 14 |
| 2 - 17 | 5 - 13 | 8 - 14 |

Our projected enrollment for the next school year is 130.

*Academics*

Overall, our academic program is going well. Our math program, which was introduced three years ago, continues to impress us and student progress, as measured by NHEIAP, is promising. For our emerging readers, a greater emphasis has been placed upon individual and small group reading following the loss of our Title I funds last year. Our test scores on the New Hampshire Education Improvement and Assessment Program tests have improved steadily over the last two years. Our students in grades three and six produced the following results in the spring of 2004:

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| Grade 3 | English Language Arts | 251 (+11 points) | 82% above Novice |
| | Mathematics | 256 (-1 point) | 82% above Novice |
| Grade 6 | English Language Arts | 251 (+13 points) | 86% above Novice |
| | Mathematics | 264 (+15 points) | 93% above Novice |

This year, we have piloted a new assessment program for students in New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island. In the fall of 2005, we will administer the New England Comprehensive Assessment Program to students in grades three through eight. The results from this series of standardized tests will be used to determine our school's adequate yearly progress as outlined in the *No Child Left Behind* legislation.

Kristin Adler was named Salutatorian and Douglas McKenna was Valedictorian for our eighth grade graduating class of 2004.

*Athletics*

We have been impressed with the hard work and enthusiastic play of our student athletes this year. Our fall soccer teams played well under the supervision of coaches Rai Fedorowicz, Cindy Richard, John Starkey and Tom Bates. The tournament was organized by the Sports Boosters and led by Kim Brown. Our boys' basketball team is showing steady improvement and our girls' team is also doing well. Last spring, our baseball and softball teams played well and were coached by Leo Blair and Paul Deschenes.

*New Faculty*

We welcomed several new teachers to Westmoreland School. Cathy Harvey has replaced Kim Wallach as our general music teacher. Cathy lives in Chesterfield with her family. Leah Kish is our new middle school science teacher, filling the void created by the retirement of Chris Keyes. Leah graduated from Keene State College in the spring of 2004. Another former Westmoreland School student has joined our faculty. Melissa Crotto-Young is our new English Language Arts teacher for the middle school.

*Arts*

Our students continue to participate in the New Hampshire Dance Institute. This year, our instructor is Valerie Snowden (a former Westmoreland School student), and Susanne Bates continues as our coordinator. Members of our dance crew total 24 students this year and will perform with other members from schools throughout the Monadnock Region during the Memorial Day weekend. Field trips for the arts have taken our students to plays, concerts, movies, Keene State College and the Currier Museum of Art.

*Technology*

Federal grants have enabled us to update our computer system. We have added a new computer to each classroom to replace older Pentium II models. A laptop computer was also purchased to be used for reading assessments. Rob Stack has completed the automation of our library books with the Alexandria system. Assisting him in this process was Beth Martin.

*Fun Run/Community Day*

We were able to offer the Fun Run this year thanks to a committee led by Rand and Jayne Burnett. Funds raised through the Fun Run supported initiatives sponsored by the PTA.

*Facilities*

A state inspection of our underground oil tank discovered a small amount of groundwater in the interstitial space. Although no leakage of oil had occurred, we were ordered by the State of New Hampshire to replace the tank. A new 8,000 gallon tank was installed this fall. Our Facilities Committee is exploring future upgrades to our kitchen facilities and front entryway.

*Our Town*

We are bringing back an old tradition at Westmoreland School. Our faculty and students have begun learning more about Westmoreland as part of our year-long local history project. Local folks are encouraged to share their knowledge of the town and work with our students to develop a stronger link with the community. Activities will culminate with community-wide activities the weekend of June 4.

*Volunteers*

The growth of volunteerism at Westmoreland School has been overwhelming and greatly appreciated. We are blessed with a great number of parents and community members willing to share their time and expertise to improve our school. Townspeople who gave their time to improve the school facilities included Stuart Adams, the Ingram family, Kyle Keith, the Myers Family, Harry Nelson, the Wilkes Family, the Gray Family, Tom Richard, and the McGahie Family. Among the folks who have spent many hours of time working with students include Dr. John Mills, Missy Kritzer, Tina Fletcher, Susanne Bates, Dawn Merrill, Deb Myers, Carla Mansfield and Sue Castor. Lori Ingram, as president of the PTA, has provided great leadership to keep the organization focused on improving the quality of our school.

On behalf of the families and faculty of our school, I wish to extend our gratitude to the Westmoreland community for an outstanding commitment to local education.

Respectfully submitted,

*William Gurney*

# STAFF

William Gurney . . . . . Principal
Debra Nelson . . . . . Secretary

Nancy Belsky . . . . . Math (5-8)
Leo Blair . . . . . Special Education
Jay Bowks . . . . . World Language
Leslie Carlson . . . . . Grade 2
Melissa Crotto-Young . . . . . Language Arts (5-8)
Paul Deschenes, Jr. . . . . Social Studies (5-8)
Karen Durling . . . . . Grade 4
Cathryn Harvey . . . . . Music
Leah Kish . . . . . Science (5-8)
Maria Martinez . . . . . Kindergarten
Mee Yin Morrison . . . . . Art
Nancy Newton . . . . . Reading Specialist
Marcia Oster . . . . . Music
Laurie Perreault . . . . . Grade 1
Stacy Riendeau . . . . . Grade 3
Robert Stack . . . . . Media Generalist
Karen Sullivan . . . . . Physical Ed./Health
Amy Treat . . . . . Guidance Counselor
Karen Brunjes . . . . . Speech/Language Therapist
Sandra Swinburne . . . . . School Psychologist
Jeanne Symonds . . . . . Education Evaluator
Carol White . . . . . Certified Occup. Therapy Asst.
Susanne Bates . . . . . Aide
Susan Castor . . . . . Special Education Tutor
A. David Diccio . . . . . Resource Room Aide
Jesse Ramirez Mallis . . . . . Special Education Tutor
Porschia Mason-White . . . . . Aide
Mary Mullen LaValley. . . . . Special Education Tutor
Brenda Shelley . . . . . Special Education Tutor
Kathy Sportello . . . . . Resource Room Aide
Cindy Wood . . . . . School Nurse
Laura Kraus . . . . . School Lunch
John Beecher . . . . . Custodian

# HEALTH SERVICES REPORT

It has been a busy fall here in the health office. All the students have been screened for vision and hearing, and everyone has been weighed and measured. The immunization review has been completed with 100% compliance in the grades audited. Physicals were offered in September by our school physician, Dr. John Mills, for middle school students going to Sargent Camp or playing school sports. Kindergartners learned about handwashing with a "Germbusters" class that featured glow-in-the-dark germ powder. Several other classes had "refresher courses" in handwashing as well. A Red Cross babysitting course was organized with 14 sixth and seventh graders participating. Puberty classes were held for the boys and girls of fifth grade. About 36 elementary children are participating in a weekly fluoride rinse program through Cheshire Smiles. They will be here in the spring to conduct dental screenings and cleanings to eligible students.

During the months of September, October, November and December, there were approximately 900 visits to the health office, and about 300 prescription or over-the-counter medications given (not including insulin), as well as countless cough drops for sore throats and coughs. There have been no cases of head lice.

There is a new Health and Wellness Committee at our school. Some of the issues that we are looking at are sex education, foods and nutrition in school, and physical activity and child obesity. Two tasting opportunities have been offered during the lunch period for children to try some healthy snacks. We are looking into inviting a speaker to address issues related to teen sexuality. We are checking to see if we can get pedometers to do the 10,000 steps-a-day program. I am offering to help put together a "lunchbox cookbook" with easy, nourishing lunchbox ideas. I look forward to spending most of my time during the spring semester with health promotion now that most of the required tasks are out of the way.

*Cindy Wood*, RN, BSN

# SCHOOL LUNCH REPORT

This year, the school has purchased a new computer system to handle all of the lunch program accounting. It is a wonderful program that has reduced the paperwork by half and has been very helpful in generating reports for letting parents know their children's balances.

Participation in the lunch program has been good with at least 68 percent participation each day. Recently, we introduced "made to order" salads for the middle school students and staff, and it has been a huge success. Our breakfast program is still very popular with 23 to 30 students participating for breakfast/snack daily.

I would like to recognize my volunteer helper Chad Adams for the hard work he does in the kitchen every day. He is a wonderful addition to our school and the children love him. Thanks, also, to our staff and PTA for helping to communicate the message of healthier eating habits to our students.

*Laura Kraus*
Kitchen Manager

# WESTMORELAND GRADUATES
# 2005

## GRADE 8

Colin Bates
Timothy Beeler
Alexander Brown
Kaylla Carle
Jennifer Delisle
Steven Hale
Mary Kate Henderson
Kyle Juniper
Michael Kingsbury
Alex Remy
Lindsay Richard
Derek Starkey
Ryan Ullrich
Courtney White
KevinWirth

## GRADE 12

Stephanie Adler
Fern Aguda-Brown
Adam Goodnow
Catherine Gray
Maggie Harris
Nolan Henderson
Tyson Jache
Daniel Kamps
Sophia Lafleur
Graham Lynch
Christopher Payne
Bonnie Porter
Zachary Rubin
Jenny Scadova
Heidi Shonbeck
Amber Stronk
Nicholas Watson
Samuel West
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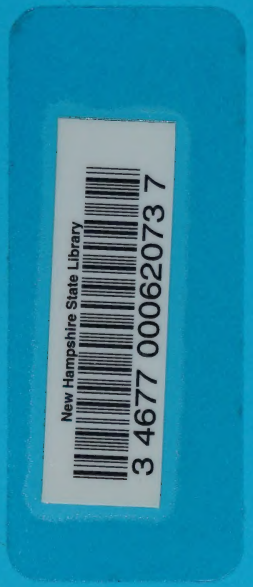


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